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BRITISH TROOPS ENCOUNTER SOME RESISTANCE IN SOUTHERN IRAN

Advance Towards Persian Oil Centre is Objective

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Aug. 25 (UP).—WHILE NEWS OF THE ACTUAL PROGRESS OF BRITISH AND RUSSIAN TROOPS INTO IRAN REMAINS SCANT, AUTHORITATIVE QUARTERS IN LONDON TO-DAY REVEALED THAT THE BRITISH FORCE, WHICH CONSISTS OF TROOPS FROM THE BRITISH ISLES, PLUS INDIAN TROOPS, HAVE ALREADY ENCOUNTERED RESISTANCE.

ONE OF THE POINTS OF INTEREST IS BANDAR SHAHPURAT, AT THE HEAD OF THE PERSIAN GULF, WHERE THE TROOPS LANDED FROM SHIPS.

The British troops, which authoritative quarters said had entered southern Iran, will presumably operate from the Iraq border which is the best from all points of view because it has far and away the best communications. In addition to this, it will enable a quick thrust towards the Persian oil centre situated not far east of the border with a pipeline to the head of the Iranian Gulf.

An advance from Baluchistan presents tremendous natural difficulties with long lines of communications and would yield little or no profit.

It is not known in London whether British forces also landed on the Iranian coast. If operating from Iraq, it seems quite possible that the British force, under the command of General Sir Archibald Wavell, includes United States planes flown from the Middle East in addition to Wavell's Indian army.

Some Resistance

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—According to the latest news from Iran available in authoritative circles in London this afternoon, the British units which entered the country encountered some resistance, but it is not yet known where this occurred or how serious the resistance was.

One British contingent made a landing from the sea in the Persian Gulf at Bandar Shapur. It is believed that this contingent met some resistance but this is not definitely confirmed.

The British forces entering Iran include both British and Indian troops but it is understood that no Dominion troops are involved.

Sending Wheat

SIMLA, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Sixty thousand tons of wheat have already been sent from India to Iran. This wheat is for the people of Iran with whom Britain has no quarrel, and whose normal supplies have been seriously depleted by earlier Axis demands.

Steps are being taken to send supplies of other essential commodities to Iran.

It is estimated that there are at present about 2,000 Indians in Iran, mainly in oil fields and in Meshed and Arak in the northwest.

Precautionary measures regarding Iranian consulates in India will, it is expected, be taken immediately.

Export Restricted

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—The Board of Trade has made an order prohibiting all export of goods to Iran except under licence as from August 25.

before the representatives arrived at my house. British forces have attacked ships in Iranian ports and British planes and guns have already bombed and shelled some Iranian towns. The Iranian authorities have taken all necessary measures to meet the situation.

Turkey Said Displeased With Allied Action

Special to the "Telegraph"

ANKARA, Aug. 25 (UP).—The British Ambassador Sir Hugh Knatchbull Hugessen and the Soviet Ambassador M. Vindogradov had conferences with the Foreign Minister, M. Sarajoglu which lasted throughout the morning.

The only formal political bonds between Turkey and Iran is the Sandabab treaty, with Iraq as a third member which, however, has no military clauses.

Turkish public opinion is distinctly displeased with the Anglo-Russian action. The Turkish press is expressing sympathy for Iran and describes the Shah as being in many ways similar to Turkey's Ataturk.

Brief Campaign Expected

British sources express confidence that the campaign will be brief. It is aimed at creating direct communication lines with the Soviet army so that if the Germans reach the Caucasus they will find the British fighting.

Thrust Toward Dniepertrovsk And Leningrad Continues

Special to the "Telegraph"

MOSCOW, Aug. 25 (UP).—It was officially stated in Moscow that the German armies to-day continued their thrust in the direction of Dniepertrovsk where is situated the gigantic dam which serves the industrial and agricultural centres of the Ukraine, while the German pressure of Leningrad in the directions of Kexholm and Novagorod continued unabated.

Further Sabotage Of Paris Railways

Special to the "Telegraph"

VICHY, Aug. 25 (UP).—The railway sabotage which was announced by Conte De Brinon, Vichy Ambassador to Paris, continued to-day with two serious accidents in the Paris suburbs; firstly, outside Montparnasse station where four cars of a German train were derailed after bolts had been removed from a double length of rails; and, secondly, at Poisy near St Germain where a wrecked French train lay across the main tracks inside the station blocking traffic for 36 hours.

HITLERIAN STRATEGY IN EAST

From Caucasus To Iran

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Hitler's strategy in the east is no secret, involving as it does a drive through the Caucasus to Iran through Afghanistan, and then on to India, it is declared in London.

It is held that Nazi preparation for the occupation of Iran is identical with that of all other countries earmarked for German development.

It is known that at the German Legation at Teheran, the Iranian capital, there is installed the usual corps of so-called attaches and experts who are immensely busy—this time with the task of sharing industrialisation of an essentially agrarian country.

Iran was also the refuge of Raschid Ali following the ill-fated Iraqi revolt and although he has now left Iran, another dangerous personality remains: the Mufti of Jerusalem, that ace provocateur of Palestine strife—who travelled to Teheran and still finds sanctuary there.

Baku Oil Fields

Iran was selected by Hitler as a country which could be exploited. These provinces would be of immense strategic value in preparing an advance into the rich Baku oil fields and later his armies would benefit from the groundwork accomplished by resident Nazi-Iranian representatives in any drive on India. This is the background of Iran, whose 10,000,000 people live in an area three times the size of France, in a country whose climate is arid or semi-arid and whose mountain ranges are almost impassable.

LATEST

Nearly 8 Ins. Of Rain In 33 Hours

Between midnight on Sunday up to 9 o'clock this morning, the rainfall in Hongkong totalled 7.85 inches.

During the 23 hours ending at 11 o'clock last night the rainfall was 3.545 inches, but this was well exceeded during the subsequent ten hours, no less than 4.320 inches being recorded.

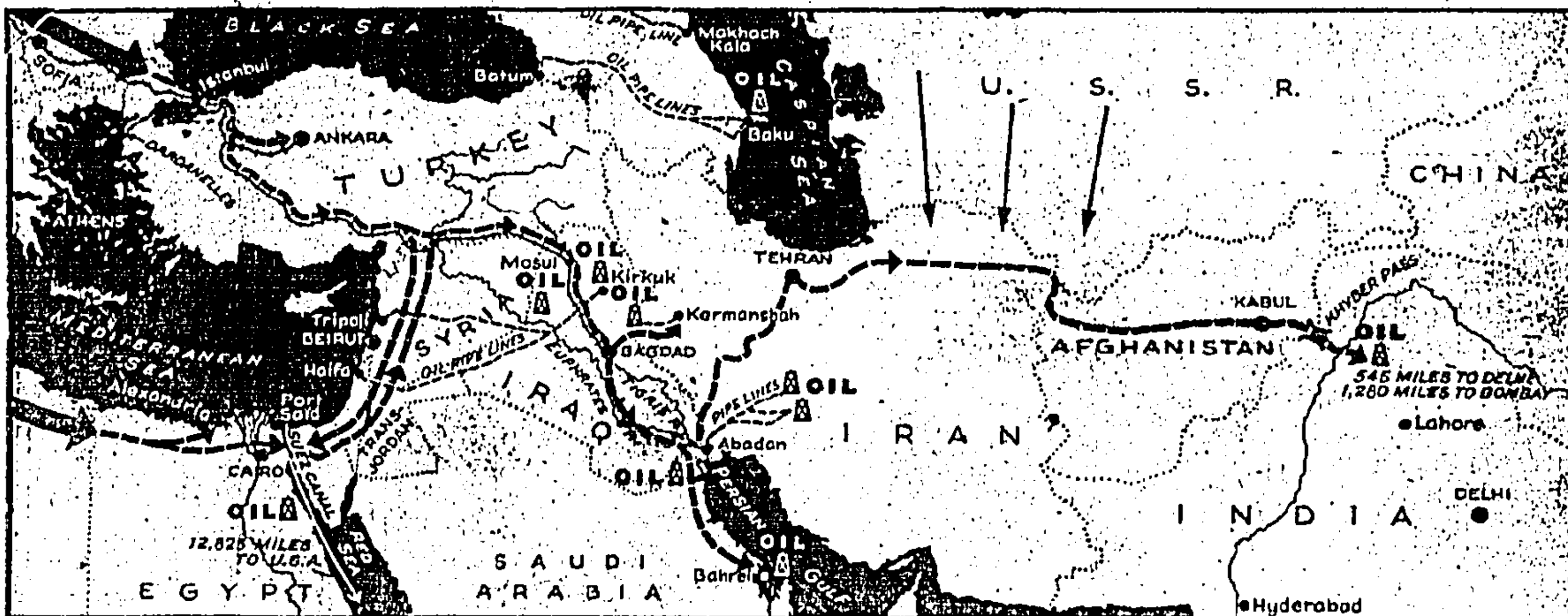
Russians Advance Into Iran

MOSCOW, Aug. 26 (Reuter).—The official Soviet news agency announced that Russian troops have advanced 40 kilometres into Iran and that the advance continues, while Moscow Radio says that Soviet troops are advancing in the direction of Tabriz.

See Back Page For Further Late News

War Scene Is Shifted

The sudden decision to move British and Russian troops into Iran has shifted world attention to this strategic country overnight. This map clearly illustrates the importance of Iran to Russia and Britain in the protection of their territories.



TONS OF BOMBS ON TRIPOLI

Big Operations By The R.A.F.

CAIRO, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—British bombers are still busy in the Middle East. A large force of R.A.F. heavy bombers dropped nearly 20 tons of bombs on docks and supply and petrol dumps at Tripoli during the night of August 23-24, says an R.A.F. communique.

Many direct hits were obtained and more than 30 large fires were started, one so big that it was visible 135 miles away.

After the bomb attack, British aircraft machine-gunned objectives in the harbour area and the aerodrome at Mellaha. The attack was carried out from a very low altitude.

During the same night, other aircraft bombed enemy encampments in Sollum, Baddia and Gambut areas. Medium bombers attacked two enemy schooners and an escort vessel in the Gulf of Sirte. One schooner and the escort vessel were sunk, and the other schooner was left apparently sinking.

R.A.F. fighters in the Mediterranean on Sunday intercepted a number of German dive-bombers which attempted to attack British shipping and shot down one into the sea.

Photos show that a merchant ship attacked by bombers at Tripoli on the night of August 21-22 was sunk. All British aircraft returned safely from all these operations.

DUCHESS OF GLOUCESTER

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—The Duchess of Gloucester will not be undertaking any further public engagements during the next few months, it is announced.

Japanese Blockade Is Feared in Shanghai

Special to the "Telegraph"

SHANGHAI, Aug. 25 (UP).—Foreigners are becoming increasingly worried by the Japanese construction of wire barricades around the entire International Settlement and French Concession fearing the possibility of a repetition of the 1939 blockade of Tientsin.

Japanese military authorities claim that the barricades are designed for closer check on the Chinese who cross the settlement boundaries in order to halt the recent wave of terrorism.

It is recalled that one Japanese civilian was killed and another wounded last week, also that several pro-Chungking followers were also killed. The Japanese have constructed approximately 25 miles of barbed wire barricades around the International Settlement and have barricaded the highways to permit single lane traffic only.

Some informed circles anticipate that in the event of a worsening of the Pacific situation, the Japanese might blockade Shanghai, cutting off essential food supplies. Due to shortages, plus hoarding, the price of rice to-day rose to 130 Yuan per picul which is beyond the reach of the average Chinese, wherefore the majority are dependent upon the importation of vegetables from the interior.

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- The right to publish any or all of the entries is reserved to the Hongkong Telegraph.
- All photographs entered must have been taken in the Colony of Hong Kong. Photographs which have been already entered in other Competitions are ineligible.
- No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of, loss of, or damage to entries.
- All entries to be either black and white or color pictures, and must be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.
- Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.
- No picture to be entered in more than one Section.
- Mounts to be only white or cream, must be of one of the following sizes:—10x12, 12x20.
- No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.
- Members of the Staffs of the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post are not permitted to compete.
- The decision of the Judges shall be final.
- At the conclusion of the Competition, entries will be returned to competitors by application at the telephone office within seven days.
- The use of aliases is strictly forbidden.

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Notice is hereby given that on account of furlough the Power of Attorney issued to Leon Henry George Frost, District Accountant at Hongkong for The Texas Company (China) Ltd. at Hongkong has been cancelled and recalled.

Similar Power of Attorney has been issued to Edgar Harold Fenderson who has been appointed District Accountant at Hongkong to succeed Leon Henry George Frost.

THE TEXAS COMPANY (CHINA) LTD.
BY P. F. LEFEVRE,
Managing Director.
Hongkong, August 25th, 1941.

NOTICE

EVACUATION REPRESENTATION COMMITTEE

A public meeting will be held on Thursday, August 28, at 6 p.m. in the Rose Room, Peninsula Hotel, for all husbands and relatives of evacuees and others who are interested.

(Sgd.) W. V. TAYLOR,
Acting Hon. Secretary,
Evacuation Representation Committee.

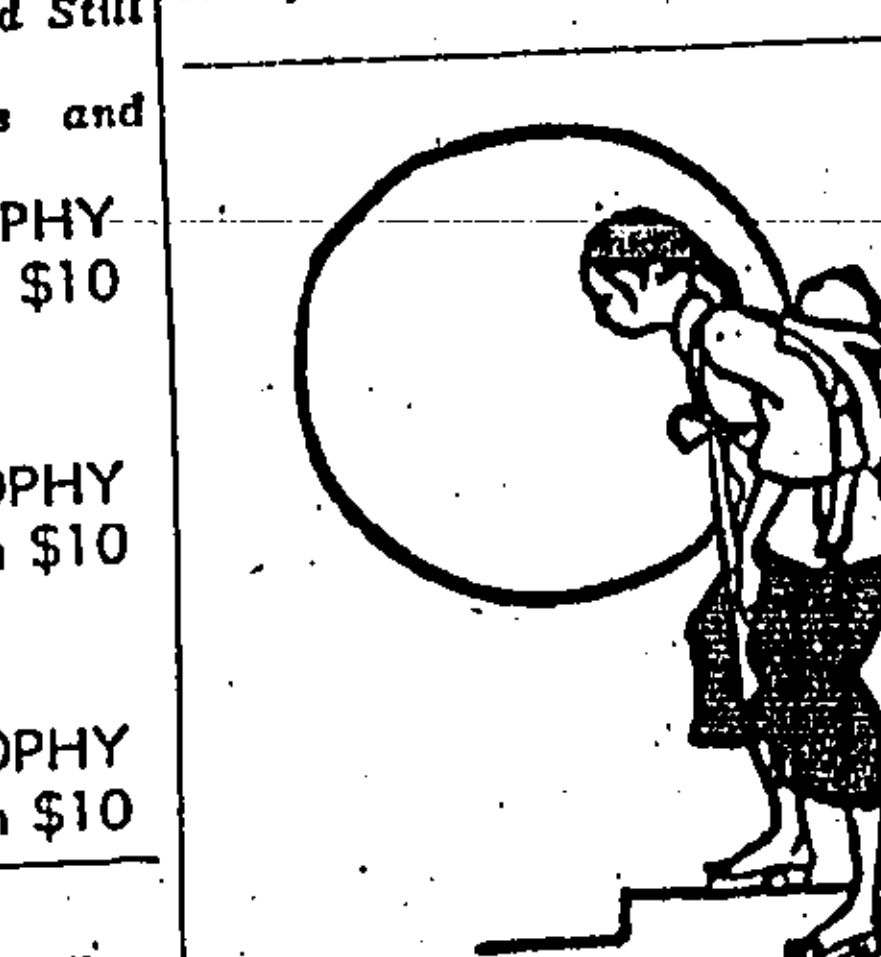
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Interim Dividend of \$-60 per share has been declared in respect of the half year ended 30th June, 1941, on 900,000 OLD SHARES and will be payable on and after Thursday, 11th September, 1941. Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Registered Office, P. & O. Building.

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Burma Road Survey

American Trucking Experts And Taxation

The expenditure incurred by Burma in facilitating the transit of American Lend and Lease goods through that country to China should come under the category of Burma's Defence Expenditure and should not be charged against China by the levying of the one per cent. tax, was the opinion expressed by Mr. Daniel Arnstein, and his associates, Messrs. Arnstein, Davis and Helman, in an interview yesterday.

Messrs. Arnstein, Davis and Helman are American trucking experts who have been in China for the last two and a half months making a survey of the Burma Road for the Chinese Government. A complete report has been made to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, and the three men are now on their way back to the United States.

Mr. Arnstein, who acted as spokesman, said that before he left America, over a billion dollars had been set aside for China under the Lend and Lease plan. If the levy of one per cent. was removed, it would mean a saving of ten million dollars to China.

"When we got down to Burma," Mr. Arnstein continued, "they were talking of raising it. This same aggressor nation that China has been fighting for four years is now on Burma's doorstep; and Burma herself may soon need some Lend and Lease stuff."

Regarding the Burma Road survey, the American expert revealed that although they have been away from home for only about three months, they had had ample time to make a thorough study of the 600-mile stretch of the Burma Road. "We listened to stories from no-one, and we only reported on what we saw with our own eyes. We are funny that way. We made concrete proposals, and suggested changes, and gave recommendations on how and why it should be done."

Trucking Transportation "These were all based on sound trucking transportation ideas as used by our successful trucking companies in America. We used no technical language in our report, so that any and everyone could understand it."

Mr. Arnstein said that they held three conferences with the Generalissimo, who was very pleased with the report, and has accepted it 100 per cent. During one of these conferences, which lasted from 7 p.m. to 11.30 p.m., the trucking experts had dinner with the Generalissimo and Madame Chiang.

A number of changes suggested by these experts have already been carried out, resulting in the tonnage now moving on the road being more than doubled. An American trucking operator from America is staying to help the Chinese. The Chinese are leaving for China soon to help supervise transportation over the Burma Road. These operators will be in charge of Mr. James Wilson, who has been in the trucking business in America for the past seven years.

Although they were helping to step up the efficiency of the Burma Road by the introduction of American trucking methods, Mr. Arnstein stated that he felt that the permanent solution of the road would eventually be in the hands of properly trained Chinese personnel.

"We see no reason why, in a very short space of time, these Chinese cannot operate the road as efficiently as the Americans," added Mr. Arnstein.

Asked his opinion of the road itself, Mr. Arnstein said: "We think the road is a great achievement. I don't know of any other country that could have built it as good without the aid of machinery. I think the Chinese are excellent drivers."

"It is really a great achievement; one that China can well be proud of," Mr. Arnstein said, "that everyone was very pleased with the report they had submitted, and among the important changes, which were adopted almost immediately, was one for the opening of the Chinese Customs stations 24 hours per day. This enabled a steady flow of traffic without any interruption by customs and trucks which were previously held up waiting for the Customs office to open."

STEAMSHIP SAILINGS

More American Ships To Call at Hongkong

The dislocation of passenger traffic schedules and shortage of accommodation resulting from the requisitioning of American ships by the American Government, has been slightly alleviated, it was stated in shipping circles yesterday.

Of the seven President Lines steamers which were delivered to the United States Maritime Commission on completion of their voyages some time ago, it is understood that three of the ships are now to remain in the service of the American President Lines for the time being on a trip to trip land.

Apart from requisitioning, the decision of the Japanese shipping companies not to allow their ships to call here has also resulted in the stranding of a number of people, and inconvenience to others.

The situation would appear to be much improved now, with an increased number of American ships calling here next month.

Three ships of the American President Lines are expected to leave Hongkong for the United States. The first is expected to leave about the first week in September, another about the middle of the month, and the third towards the end of the month. Further information regarding these sailings may be had on application to the American President Lines, Limited.

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1.00 Local Time Signal and Programme Summary

1.02 A Noel Coward Programme

"Words and Music"—The Party's Over Now, Something to Do With Spring... Noel Coward (Vocal) with Orchestra; "Operette"—Selection...

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1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements

1.45 Variety with Betty Driver, Mollie and Marie Oliver Wakefield and others

2.15 Close Down

6.00 Indian Programme

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations

6.47 Saint-Saens—Concerto in G Minor, Op. 22 and Septet—Concerto in G Minor, Op. 22... Arthur de Greef (Piano) and New Symphony Orchestra; Septet—Op. 65... MM. Foveau (Trumpet), Cantrelle (Violin) Bellanger (2nd Violin), Vieux (Double-bass) and Faure (Piano)

7.30 Portuguese Programme

8.00 London Relay—The News

8.15 London Relay—War Commentary

8.25 London Relay—"Listening Post"—Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda

8.30 Programme Summary

8.32 Excerpts from Verdi's Opera... Oswald Kabasta and Philharmonia Orchestra; "Il Trovatore" (Act 3)—Strike Down That Dread Pyre... Jussi Bjorling (Tenor) with Orchestra; "Otello"—Willow Song (Act 4)—Eliashberg Rothberg (Soprano) with Orchestra; "Rigoletto"—Selection... Marek Weber and His Orchestra; "Otello"—Heaven, Had I Pleased Thee To Try Me (Act 3)... Renato Zanelli (Tenor) and Members of La Scala Orchestra, Milan

9.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements

9.02 "Jubilee Music-Hall Parade"—1910-1935

9.22 Patricia Rossborough (Piano) and Kenny Baker (Vocal)

9.45-10.00 News in French (On Short Wave Only)

9.45 Regional Foot at the Organ

10.00 London—The News and News Commentary

10.15 B.B.C. Recording "The Land We Defend": Northern Ireland

10.45 Dance Music by Mill Herth Tlo; Joe Loss and His Orchestra; Larry Clinton and His Orchestra; Jack Hylton and His Orchestra; Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra

11.15 Close Down

Week's Programmes

This week ZBW will be relaying the following talks from London, in addition to the usual news commentaries:

On Wednesday night at 11 o'clock, a discussion by Gerald Barry and Sir Frederick Whyte, M.C.S. on "Agriculture" in the series "Britain To-day". On Thursday at 11 o'clock, a talk by the War Correspondent of the Daily Herald, and on Friday, again at 11 o'clock, the series "Makers of History" in addition to these talks, there are two relays on Saturday night, the special broadcast to British Forces in the Far East at 8.30 p.m., and the Variety programme "Old Mother Riley Takes the Air" at 11.15 p.m.

Here are some of the principal items from this week's local programmes: The transmission will open at 8.45 this evening, Tuesday 26th, with the daily stock quotations followed by the Saint-Saens Concerto in G Minor and his Septet. At 10.15 p.m. another interesting feature programme on Northern Ireland, in the series "The Land We Defend", will be broadcast; these programmes are specially recorded for broadcast by the B.B.C. On Wednesday evening there are two talks from the Studio of ZBW, the first being Father Ryan on Butler's "Hudibras" in his new series on "English Humour" at 8.40 p.m., and the second, at 9.15 p.m., Miss Winifred Galbraith of the Y.W.C.A., who has recently arrived from London where she was in charge of a women's hostel. The subject Miss Galbraith has chosen to talk on is "The Development of Social Services".

Request Programme

From 9 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday there is a Classical Request programme, for which listeners are invited to write asking for any items they may care to hear. All letters must reach the Secretary not later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday, August 27. At 10.15 p.m. "Eyre" will give a Studio presentation of Brahms' Quintet in B Minor, Op. 115.

From 9.02 to 9.45 p.m. on Saturday there is a Studio Recital by three popular and well known artists, Gaston D'Aquino (tenor), Y. K. Sze (bass) and E. O'Neill Shaw (piano).

At lunch time on Sunday, the 3rd Act of Verdi's "Aida" will be broadcast, followed, immediately after the 1 o'clock local time signal, by a Two Piano Recital from the Studio by Eddie and Michael Boder. This transmission will close with Beethoven's Symphony No. 2 in D Major, Op. 36. Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No. 5 in D Major, played by Cortot, Thibaud and Casals, will be heard at 7.40 p.m. in the evening transmission, and the weekly Book Reviews from the Studio at 9.15 p.m.

News in French is broadcast nightly, on short wave only, from 9.45 p.m. to 10 p.m., and programmes in Portuguese are given bi-weekly on Tuesdays and Fridays from 7.30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

All times given in this summary are Hongkong Summer Time, which is nine hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time.

Motorists Contribute To Bombers

Yesterday's collections for the Bomber Fund included \$750 from the Hongkong Automobile Association, being the proceeds from the sale of motor-car badges; a thirteenth donation of \$100 from Miss Marion Potter, and several other donations. The Fund has now reached a total of \$2,502,552.46, having started out towards the \$2,000,000 mark.

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London Acknowledgment

The following telegram, dated August 21, has been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies by His Excellency the Governor:

"Following from Colonel Moore Brabazon—£2,000 from South China Morning Post War Fund gratefully acknowledged. Please convey my deep appreciation. Such generous help to our united war effort invaluable."

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday is:

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Norwegian Seamen

The Norwegian flag seen outside No. 2, Chatham Road, not far from Holt's Wharf and on the bus route to Kowloon Dock, denotes a move by the Norwegian Seamen's Mission, from its former premises at Nathan Road near the junction with Jordan Road. The change has been for the better, the many Scandinavian seamen who pass through this port being able to reach the place more conveniently.

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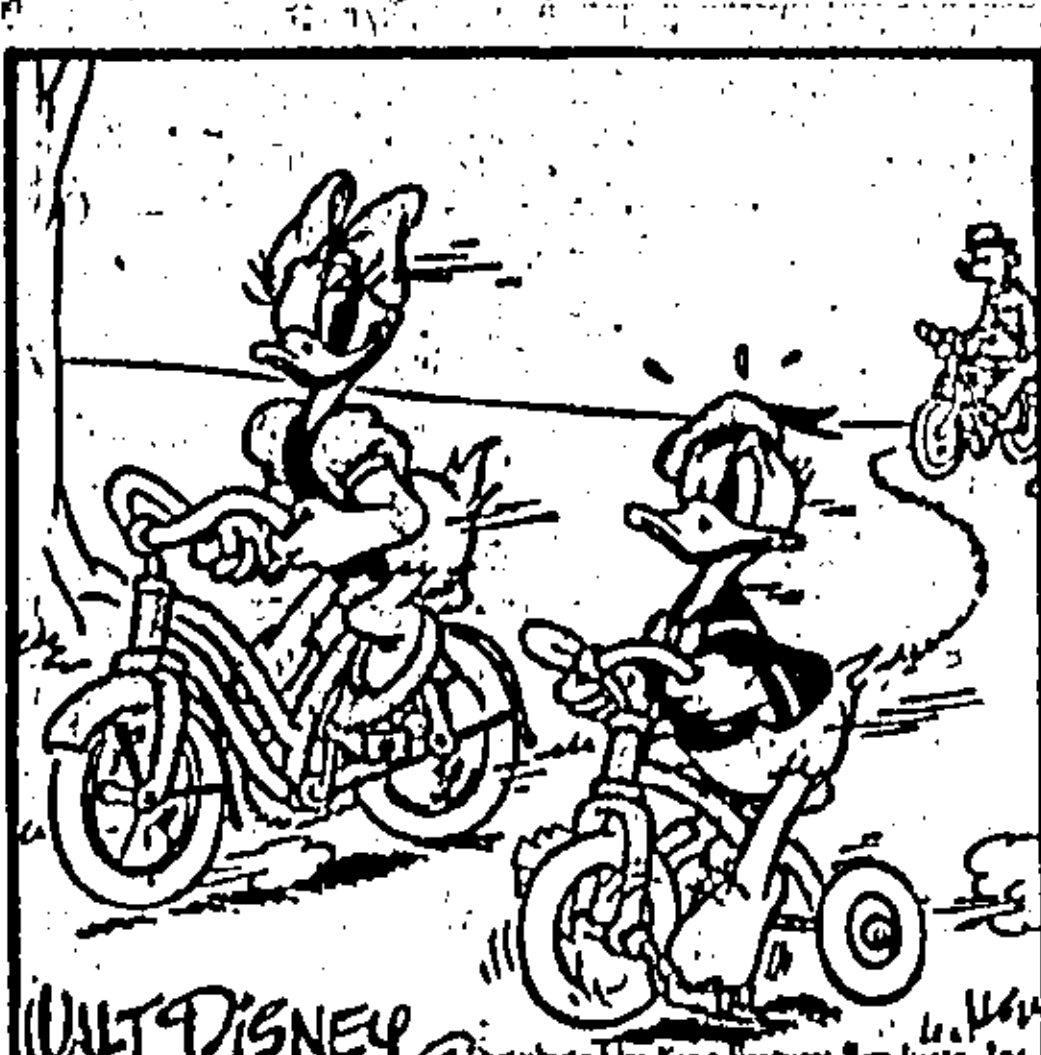
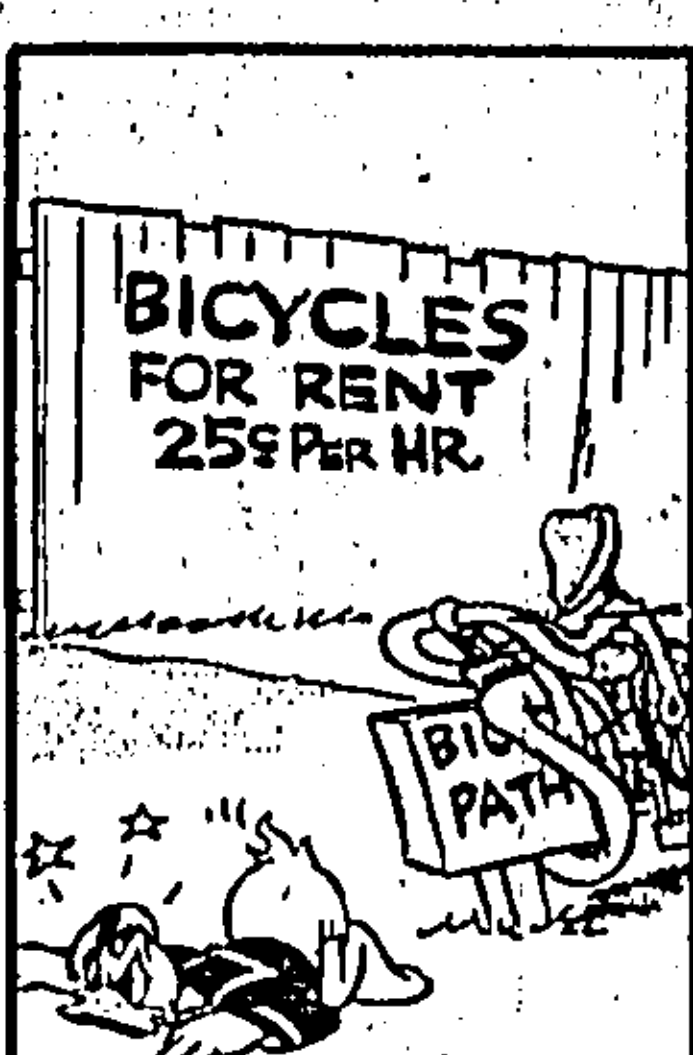
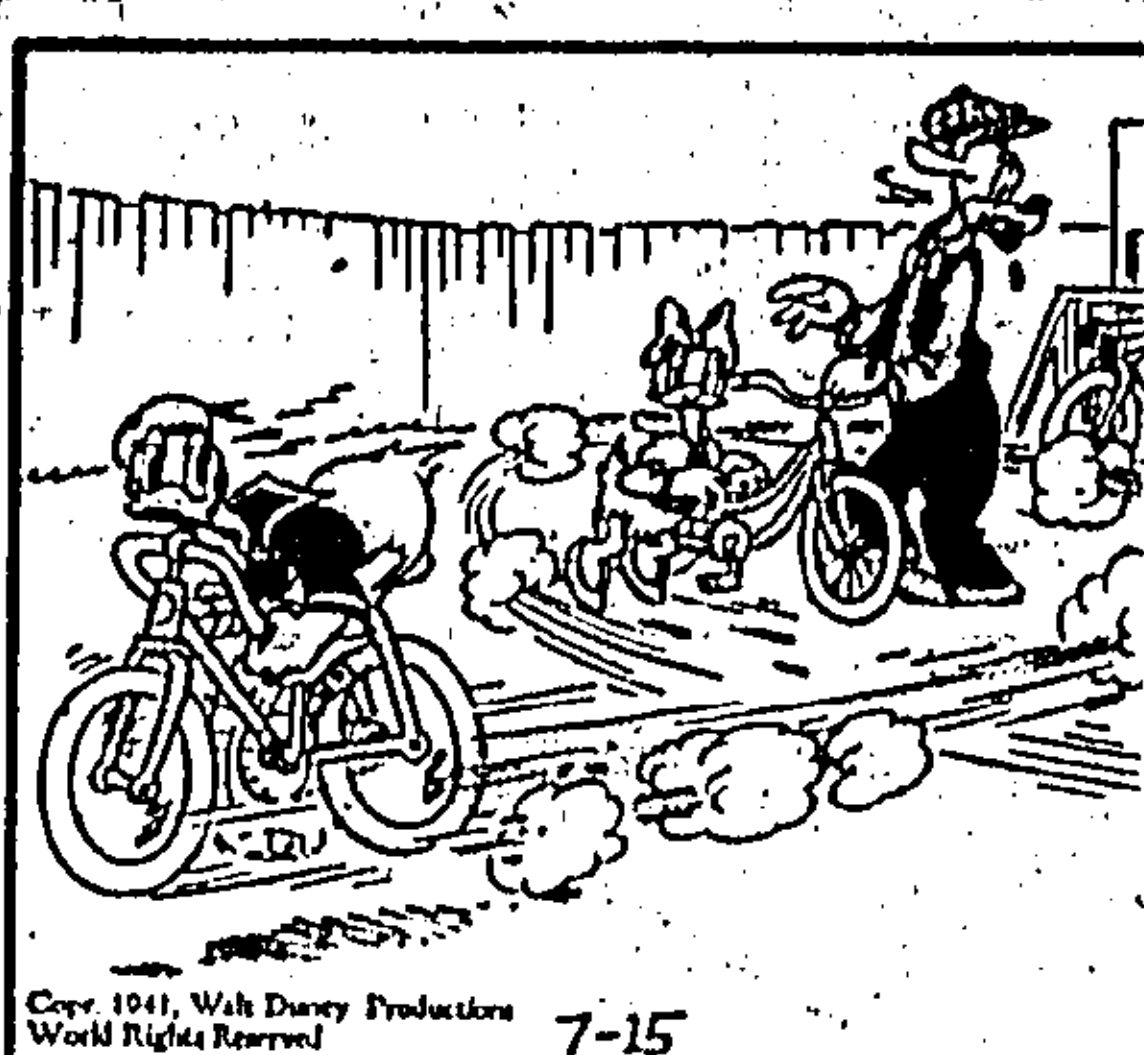
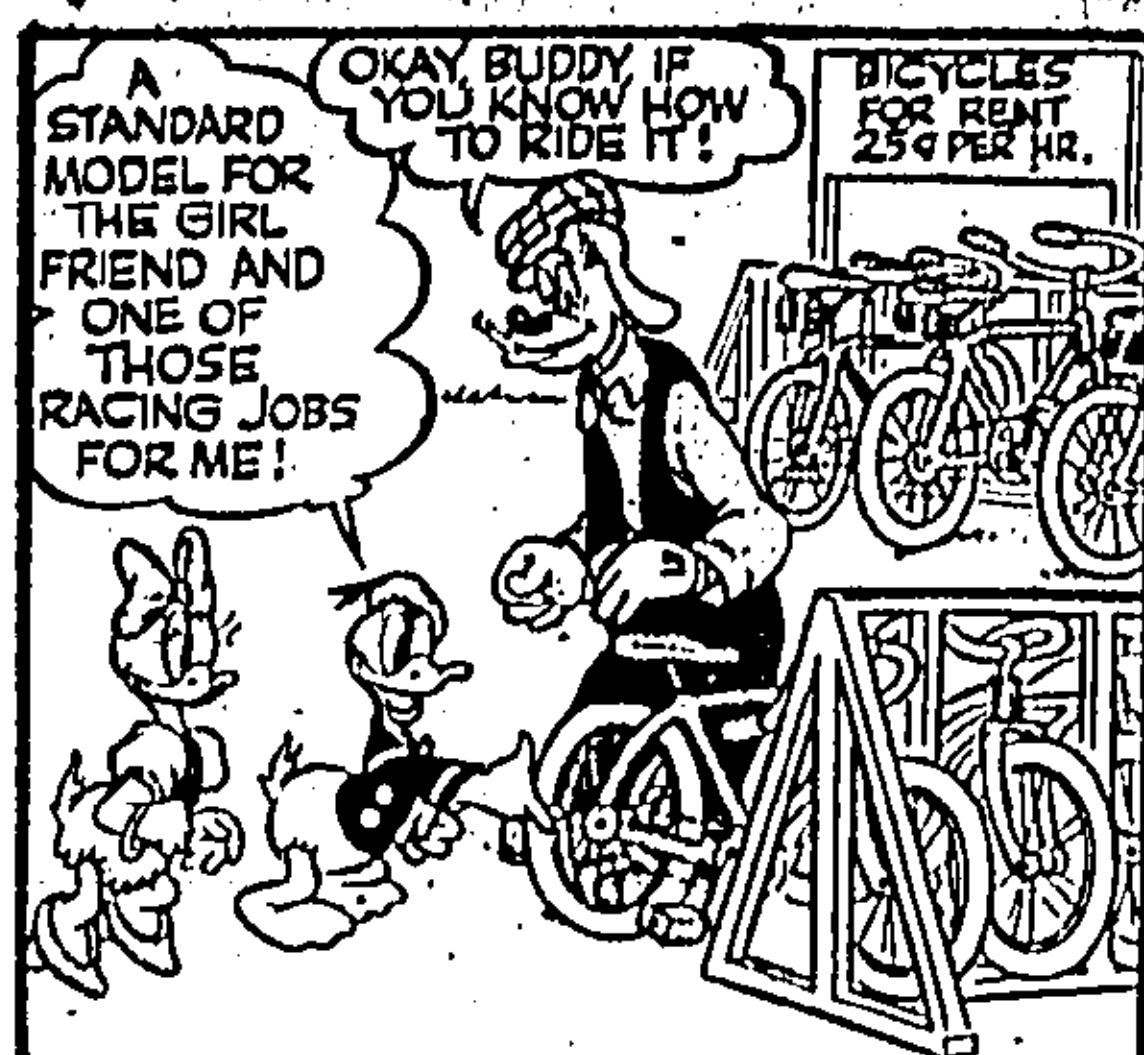
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CONTRACT BRIDGE

Defensive Hold-up of an Ace

Generally speaking, when you hold an ace, you cannot put it to better advantage than in the capture of an adverse king. As proof, however, that generalizations are worthless at bridge, I commend the following hand to my readers' attention:

Rubber bridge.
Both sides vulnerable.
South dealer.

♠ QJ7
♥ 72
♦ A Q J 5 4
♣ J 6 4

♠ 10 8 4 3
♥ A 6
♦ K 7 6
♣ 10 8 6

♠ 9 6 2
♥ J 6 4
♦ J 5 4
♣ Q 7 3 2

♠ A K 5
♥ K Q 10 8 3
♦ 9 2
♣ A K

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
♠ 2	Pass	3	Pass
♥ 2	Pass	3	Pass
♦ 2	Pass	6	Pass
♣ 2	Pass	Pass	Pass

This bidding is decidedly not recommended! To begin with, South's opening two heart bid was none too robust. Despite its five honor-tricks, it was right on the line between a one and a two heart bid. This, however, would have been unimportant if South had not later compounded his aggressiveness by jumping to four trump. It is one thing to make a light or doubtful opening bid; it is quite another to give partner subsequent assurance that there was nothing doubtful about it. North, with a good diamond suit and some strength in spades, cannot be blamed for bidding a slam after South had bid so vigorously.

It goes without saying that the contract was pretty bad, involving a very favourable trump position and the diamond finesse. Yet, I feel sure that the slam would have been fulfilled against all but a handful of defenders.

West opened the club ten. Declarer won and led a low spade to dummy in order to return a heart toward his own hand. East naturally played low and declarer put in his king. Now came the crucial, in fact the only, important phase in the play. If West had followed the practice of ninety-nine in one hundred players,

How should South play his three trump contract? Opening lead, spade king.

James Hilton's strange and gripping tale of a paranoiac has been made into a motion picture, with Robert Montgomery, Ingrid Bergman and George Sanders in the leading roles



RAGE IN HEAVEN

SYNOPSIS:

Dr. Rameau has called the British Consul to his private insane asylum outside of Paris to help identify a mysterious English paranoiac, who calls himself Ward Andrews. But while they consult, the patient, unseen, escapes. In London, a few days later, Philip Monrell meets his brilliant friend Ward Andrews at a bar. Amused, Philip thinks of how he had used Ward's name in Paris, because it gave him a sense of importance. He and Ward go to his home in the country and there meet Stella Bergen, a beautiful, refugee who is now companion to Philip's mother. Stella is drawn to Ward but turns to Philip when Mrs. Monrell must go away for her health and calls on Stella's gratitude to look after her son. Philip and Stella marry. They are happy, but out of sheer perversity he neglects his work as head of the steel mill at Chasingford. His behaviour is extremely erratic and to-day, at the mill, in order to build up his own importance, he has rejected the budget to fix up his workmen's homes.

Chapter Three

THAT EVENING, Stella had mournful news. Her kitten had been found lying in Platt's lane, just behind the steel works. Its neck had been broken.

Unaccountably, Philip became furious when Stella mentioned it to him.

But a while later he came to her, penitent. "I'll make it up to you," he said tenderly. "I'm sorry the kitten is gone. I'll buy you a hundred of them."

Her eyes were sad. "I don't think I'll ever have another. This one meant so much to me."

He was watching her. "Because Ward gave it to you?" She jumped up. "Ward, Ward. Always Ward! If you can't rid yourself of that idea you'll—"

"I'll go mad," he returned evenly. "Is that what you wanted to say?"

"She turned to him seriously. 'Philip, I'll tell you something. When I first met Ward, I thought he was charming and perhaps he was interested in me, I don't know. But I married you didn't I?'"

He smiled peculiarly. "So he was interested in you. Of course, I knew it all the time."

THAT NIGHT he sent a telegram to Ward. For the next day he went around hugging the secret to his heart. Ward was coming for a visit. Imagine how surprised Stella would be. Maybe she'd faint—betray herself in some way like that.

Instead, her eyes simply widened when Philip led Ward in that evening. He had gone to the station himself to meet him with the car.

At dinner, Philip was all gaiety. He insisted on a toast to Ward and then went into an earnest account of how happy he and Stella were. Ward was really delighted for them. Once, Philip left the room to fetch a bottle of wine from the cellar. When he returned he listened at the door for a moment. Perhaps they were saying something interesting, something about their own feelings. He was a little disappointed, though. Ward

was simply commenting on how marvellous Philip looked. "I noticed it the moment I saw him. He's positively sleek with happiness."

Now Philip came back and the gaiety was resumed. Then, after the second bottle of wine, Philip stated his proposition. He wanted Ward to come and work at the factory. Mr. Black, his chief engineer, had left and he was offering Ward the position at twice the salary he was getting in Scotland.

Ward was dazed. "I—I hardly know what to say. It's a far better chance than I deserve."

Philip grasped his hand. "Then you accept? That's wonderful." He raised his glass aloft. "May we all still be together ten years from now just as we are to-night. Stella? Ward? To us three."

IT WAS LATE THAT NIGHT and the moon was shining. Philip wrote in his diary, "Today Ward came. Now we shall see what will happen. Nothing—I hope. But there must be no more of these torturing doubts. I've got to know."

He rose and slipped into her room. For a long moment, he stood over her. She was sound asleep, her breast rising and falling with the regularity of her breathing. He nodded and said, faintly, "Now you're dreaming of him. I can see it in your face."

Two mornings later he announced a surprise. He had to leave on a business trip. He wouldn't be gone more than a week at the most and would most certainly wire when he was coming back.

WARD LEFT THE STEEL WORKS early that day and stepped in to have a chat with Stella. The moment he began to speak, she stiffened. It was about Mr. Black. He had heard why Black had left. What was the matter with Philip? Why did he become so obstinate as a child sometimes? It was unexplainable.

"Stop it, Ward. I won't discuss Philip behind his back."

Ward was amazed. "But Stella, I'm asking you to help me. You're the only one who has any influence over him." She stood there, facing him angrily, and finally he turned to the door. "Well then—there's nothing more for me to say. Goodnight."

But that evening a great wave of contrition came over her. She shouldn't have said that to Ward.

He was Philip's friend. He wouldn't have spoken to her that way unless he had reason. Of course he wanted to help Philip.

At noon the next day, she drove the car down to the steel works and when Ward came into his office she said shyly, "I had to see you. I want to apologise for the way I behaved yesterday." He tried to interrupt and she went on. "I couldn't sleep all night, thinking of the trouble here at the Works. Yes, I know that Philip has caused trouble and it's about the housing scheme, isn't it?"

Ward nodded. "Philip's handling the men the wrong way."

The men, however, weren't going to stand for it. They had always trusted their boss to give them a square deal. They had worshipped Philip's father. Now Philip had come along and they didn't understand him at all.

"And Stella," Ward concluded, "you've got to talk to him. You must."

She looked away. "All right, I can try. But Ward, I don't think he'll yield an inch." Her eyes filled with tears and she twisted her fingers together.

All at once, Ward let out an ejaculation. "Stella, what a fool I've been. Forgive me. I didn't realise that this is the first time you and Philip have been separated. You're lonely for him. And here I've been discussing his business without thinking of your feelings." He got an idea. "I tell you what. You need a good dinner and some of my witty conversation. Very well, know what you're doing? Young lady, you're having dinner at the Inn with me to-night."

BY the time the coffee and liqueurs arrived that evening, they had thoroughly discussed the English cricket situation and Ward was teasing Stella with a highly technical discussion of his new type of annular bearing. He went through the molecular disintegration and the collaboration and finally she cried out in laughter.

"Stop! Stop! It's fascinating but I don't understand a word."

She looked up and suddenly she

paled.

Ward followed her gaze. "Hello, Philip. Are you back already?"

Philip was well pleased with himself. He had certainly taken Stella by surprise. "Obviously."

He sat down and said lightly, "Sorry I didn't wire. I finished in London much sooner than I expected." He turned to Ward.

"Thank you for taking Stella out."

"You don't have to thank me," Ward smiled. "Thank Stella for coming. You know, Philip, we were talking about you to-day."

Philip seemed amused. "What a depressing subject. Couldn't you think of anything more romantic?"

"Look here Philip," Ward said, "it's about the housing project. I know it's hard for a man in your position to reverse a decision. It takes courage, but believe me, if you do, the men will respect you for it. We all shall."

Philip's voice was thin. "Well, as it happens, I don't want respect. I want obedience. Do you understand?" He smiled. "I think perhaps we'd better drop this discussion. I might get angry."

Stella put her hand on Ward's arm. "Ward, let's go."

Philip waited until they were at the door. Then he went to the clerk on the desk. "Put Mr. Andrews' dinner on my bill please. How much do I owe you?"

"Leaving us already, Mr. Monrell?" the clerk asked. He opened his ledger.

Philip edged. He didn't want anyone to overhear the transaction. Stella and Ward must not have the slightest clue that he had been right here at the Inn to-night and not gone to London at all. It had been a fine plan, and it had worked.

So Stella and Ward were now brazen enough to go out publicly on a merry-making spree together. Well, he'd wait and watch for further developments.

(Philip's erratic thinking is concentrated on Stella and Ward. They have become an obsession with him. Can he rid himself of his peculiar jealousy or will he find other circumstances to justify it? Don't miss to-morrow's dramatic instalment.)

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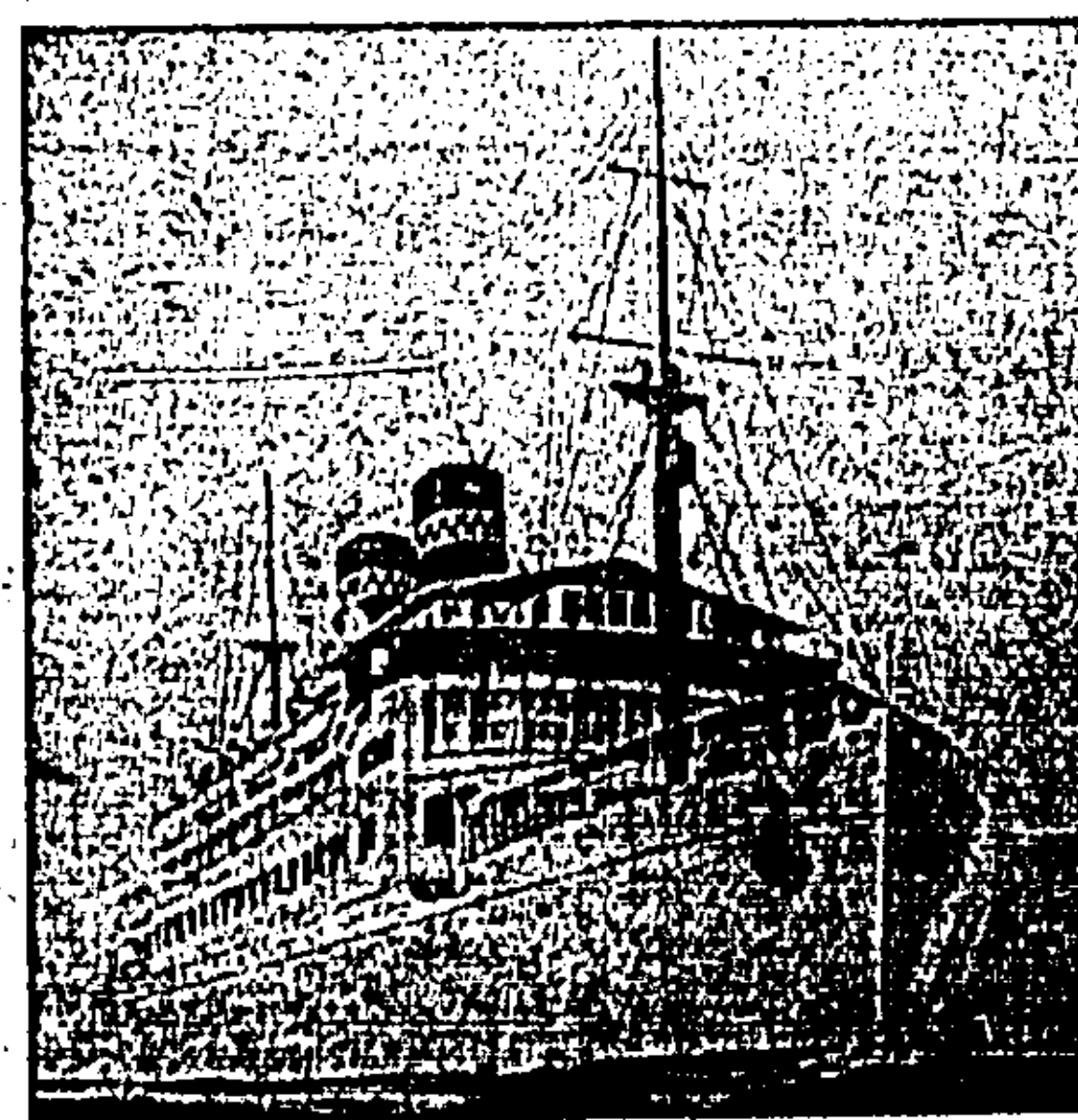
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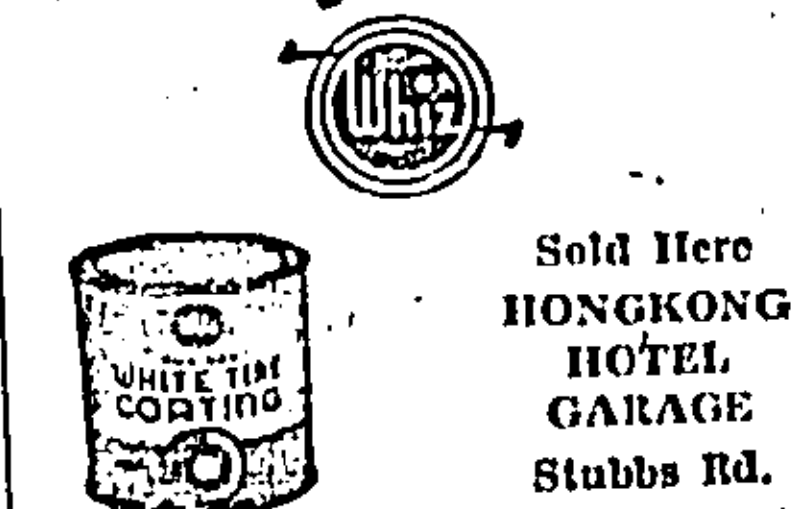
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WELCOME NEWS

WELCOME indeed is the news that Britain and Russia, acting in concert and displaying admirable initiative, have sent troops into Iran to thwart German fifth column activities in that strategically important country which forms a vital link between India and the war theatre in eastern Europe. It has been made fairly clear for weeks past, despite the cautious tone of official and inspired comment, that Iran was fast becoming a hotbed of German intrigue which, if permitted to continue unchecked, would be capable of very seriously compromising the Allied cause vis-a-vis southern Russia and India. It seems fair to assume that the prompt action of the Soviet and British military commands will succeed in crushing further Nazi machinations in this direction—at least via Iran and Turkey.

Welcome too, is the announcement that General Sir Archibald Wavell is at the head of the British forces now pushing their way towards the Persian oil centre. This appointment symbolises the strong intent of the British move; Wavell has always been a hard hitter: as witness his Libyan and Ethiopian campaigns; he is a realist; a leader who acknowledges that Britain is opposed to a ruthless enemy and who is himself prepared to be equally ruthless to defeat that enemy. In plain words, it means that the Iranians will either accept the situation or take the consequences. The issues are of prime importance, and this is war. The Iranian authorities have been given the fullest and most comforting assurances by the Allies; this is no attempt to usurp an established Government while that Government is amenable to reason and willing to acknowledge that its own strength is insufficient to deal with the internal disorganisation created by German fifth columnists. Iran will remain Iran for the Iranians and the guarantee of that is the very presence of British and Allied forces within the country; without their presence Iran might well have become another Norway overnight.

Early reports suggest that Turkey has not taken kindly to the Allied move, but this immediate reaction is probably caused by lack of appreciation of the motive underlying the invasion; when this is fully understood Turkey will have good grounds for welcoming it. If nothing else it provides her with friendly and well-wishing neighbours on three sides—from Syria, Iraq and Iran and while the Russian fleet dominates the Black Sea, the Turks can afford to sleep more peacefully in their beds. The presence of well-established Allied forces around the entire land frontier of Turkey must act as a strong deterrent to Axis designs on Turkey—designs, incidentally, which have long been obvious. It will be generally and sincerely hoped that the Iranians will accept the position and will refrain from opposition which can serve only to bring unnecessary distress and bloodshed to the country, with whom the Allies have no quarrel, nor do they seek one. The Allied move is not equitative, but strategic.

OUR GREAT WAR SECRET IS OUT!

By A. B. AUSTIN

BRITAIN'S best-kept secret of the war is out. It is Radiolocation—the means by which we detect with the speed of light enemy aircraft.

An invisible rampart of best kept secrets of the war, waves, stretching far beyond our shores, has given referred to by three letters, warning, since the beginning of the war, of every Navy and R.A.F. knew these Nazi bomber and fighter letters, and they could not from this is-be whispered outside the land.

Thousands of men and women now man Britain's radiolocators. Millions of pounds have been spent on them.

The name of the man who gave it to us is Robert Alexander Watson Watt, 49-year-old Scot from Brechin, Angus.

He made his discovery six years ago, working with the first detection device in an old lorry in a country road near Daventry.

Invisible Wall

From that first experiment on a March morning in 1935 there was built up the invisible wall round our shores.

Nazi pilots, miles out to sea, confidently heading for Britain, did not know that warning of their move-

country, and applying to the Navy and Army as well as to the R.A.F.

This has been one of the best kept secrets of the war. Few even in the Army, Navy and R.A.F. knew these letters, and they could not from this is-be whispered outside the land.

At once the approach of the raider is recorded.

24 Hour Watch

The other waves keep a 24-hour watch.

Thanks to them, Air Chief Marshal Sir Hugh Dowding, Commander-in-Chief of the Fighter Command during the Battle of Britain, did not have to keep standing patrols of Spitfires and Hurricanes in the air.

He could save his petrol and the time and energy of his pilots.

"Radiolocation," said Sir Philip Joubert, "has been of the utmost assistance to the Royal Observer Corps in spotting the movements of enemy aircraft."

"It has at least doubled the use of the Observer Corps."

This "trick of the laboratory," as Sir Philip Joubert called it, grew into radiolocation without the public being aware of its existence.

After Watson Watt and his fellow experimenters made their old lorry experiments, a team of brilliant scientists and serving officers were got together.

In the middle of 1939, a few months before war broke out, they managed to adapt the ether waves to military uses.

Once radiolocation had been proved practicable, scientists, engineers and manufacturers combined to produce the best possible equipment.

Taken Four Years

It had taken four years of continuous experiment to the job.

Now radiolocation has been extended from the R.A.F. to the Navy and Army.



WATSON WATT: the man who discovered Radiolocation. Was meteorologist-in-charge of Royal Aircraft Establishment in the last war. Joined Department of Scientific and Industrial Research in 1921. In January, 1940, was scientific adviser on tele-communications. Six months later was transferred to Ministry of Aircraft Production.

The staff of the three services employed on radiolocation runs into thousands.

Scientists are constantly making improvements, and the manufacturers have to keep up with the research workers.

But both scientists and manufacturers are short of trained staff to service the increasing number of radiolocators.

As Mr Attlee said in the House of Commons, our need for these craftsmen is increasing rapidly, and we want more and more of them.

But not only men are needed. In all three Services women can work in the detection posts. During the Battle of Britain W.A.F. girls were sitting at the posts, receiving the warnings of Nazi raiders and sending them to the Fighter Command operations-room.

"It is radio that will destroy enemy aeroplanes," said Lord Beaverbrook.

He was broadcasting to America an appeal to men of technical skill to help in the repair and maintenance of our wireless devices.

"It is the radio," he said, "that finds the enemy in the darkness, that seeks him out through the clouds."

CHIANG'S NEPHEW FERRIES FOR R.A.F.

By A Correspondent

"Calling Mr Chang. Calling Mr Chang. Will you please go to Operations Room immediately. You are required for a cross-country flight."

Mr Chang—nobody knows him by any other name—rose from a deep armchair in the rest room at the aerodrome and went off to report to Operations Room.

This tall, charming nephew of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, head of the Chinese Army, is one of 200 pilots of the Air Transport Auxiliary, which has commandeered this station. They have relieved R.A.F. pilots of the task of transporting 'planes from manufacturers to R.A.F. stations. This means two flights, with this aerodrome as the intermediate stage. 'Planes come from the factories without armaments and other necessary fittings. Here they are fitted and flown on to the R.A.F.

A day among these pilots, such as I spent, is equal to a round-the-world trip. There are Poles, Czechs, Frenchmen, Americans, an Indian and a Spaniard, as well as English men and women.

ONE HAND, ONE EYE

I chatted over a cup of tea with one of the Poles. He was formerly one of several pilots of Lockheed airliners operating from Warsaw. With two others, he decided to leave for Britain when it became apparent that the fall of Poland was inevitable.

Each took one of the airliners and, without maps or other guides, except compasses, flew across Germany and France to Britain. "One of my companions has been killed since in a flying accident," he told me.

Many of the Englishmen were pilots in the Royal Flying Corps during the last war. One of them, Capt. Keith Jopp, is the avoided, for if venturing near a Spitfire to a Wellington bomber, went only slightly off his course.

There are others, much over the necessary hot few minutes by one of our flying qualifications for the battleships. "Which only shows A.T.A.—50 hours and an 'A'—how smart our Navy is," was pilot's licence—who cannot pass his comment.

From there to the big stuff—light twins, such as Ansons and Oxford, heavy twins—Wellington and Whitley bombers—and finally, the biggest and largest bombers—Halifaxes, Manchester and Stirlings. When he can fly all, he is made a senior officer.

I was taken on a tour of the school, 'drome and flying field by one of the pilots, Dr M. Whitehurst, who was Medical Officer at Brooklands race track before the war.

Our first call was at the Operations Room, where pilots receive their orders for the first flights of the day. "Mr Smith, drive to factory X and pick up a Spitfire," or "Senior Silvario, take a Magister (a training aircraft) to aerodrome Y."

Each pilot nodded and went off to the maps and signals room. Spread out on the table was a large secret map of Britain. The station is allowed only this one copy, showing the channels of flight across Britain which these ferry pilots must use.

Aerodromes, balloon-barrages and A.A. batteries are marked as danger spots to be avoided, for if venturing near a Spitfire to a Wellington bomber, went only slightly off his course.

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GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Elwyn's a darling, mamma—we had our first quarrel this morning and he's no good at all!"

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Hongkong All-Stars Two Up

"Dat old apple" again took a long distance swerve-banging ride over the week-end in the triplo carded post season baseball games when emphasis on high-scoring platter jaunts greeted hardy ball fans at the Chatham Road stadium. Old man weather crossed up with a typical atmospheric contrast when perfect baseball weather of the "pay day" tilt changed to slight sizzling rains for the Sabbath doubleheader.

Mightiest of the might last season, Portugal's rough riders, international champions, took a lightning tumble from their lofty perch as the United States charged through to the final round with a classy 12-2 win. China entered the selected bracket overwhelming a "sign on anybody" Great Britain nine 18-3. It was just about the poorest showing of any team that has ever represented Great Britain in the annual International Series.

HONGKONG'S All-Stars made it two up in the Charity series classics, edging out an 18-16 victory over the United States Navy in a heated tippy-turvy fray.

CROONER Ruel's masterful hurling effort had class marked all around it in neon-lit sparks as he vanquished Portugal's defending champions 12-2 with a starry speedball show. The "singing twirler" had the Portuguese nine literally eating out of his hands, allowing a measly two hits and whiffing five.

Answer To Problem

The umpire was a diplomat but he would have been a wiser one if he had claimed he was watching the ball instead of the runner so did not see him cut second base. If he had made the correct decision the game probably would have ended in a riot.

The proper play was for the second baseman to ask the umpire in chief to put another ball in play, then claim the out at second by holding the new ball on that base. That would have retired the side with the batsman getting credit for only a one base hit. The final score depended entirely on whether or not the runner who was on first base reached the home plate before the man who hit the ball passed second, as his act of cutting that base made the third out, so far as the scoring of runs was concerned, although the out would not be actually declared until claimed. Presumably the runner from first did not score in time and that would make the game end 6 to 5 in favour of the visitors. Hence the riot forecast.

The United States Stars burst across the pan with winning tallies in every stanza except the second, connecting for six extra base clouts in the rout of the champions. Starting in with a vengeance in the opening frame after Wee Willie Wilson had flied to centre, Ski Powlawski laid a sizzling double to deep left. Crooner Ruel hoisted for the second out, but Tony Muscavago singled and two runs breezed home on Mac McKenzie's long double to the centrefield fence. Chuck Waggoner popped to second, ending the initial inning threat.

Portuguese fans saw a temporary spurt of hope in the 2nd canto, with the Gosano clan in predominance, after Zinho Gosano was thrown out on a close play. Bertie Gosano took first on Greasy Moore's wild peg, advanced to second and went to third on another Moore miscue. Eddie Gosano's single through the box drove in Bertie with Portugal's first tally, but the Doc was caught stretching toward second. Hefty Mike

Mendonca hoisted to right field for the last out. Crooner Ruel's sacrifice fly in the 3rd drove in Wee Willie Wilson with another Yankee run. Uncle Sam's Stars were clutch-clubbing in the pinches, adding steadily to their big winning margin.

Two more tallies were marked up in the 4th frame after Chuck Waggoner and Greasy Moore had whiffed in the perfect Saturday afternoon baseball breeze. Wee Willie Wilson's second hit of the day, a driving double to deep centre drove in Sox Bowersox and Doc Molthen. Ski Powlawski flied to right field for the last out in this stanza.

The defending champions pushed across their final tally in the last of the 4th when Zinho Gosano sailed across the pan on a single and two errors. However, the Stars and Stripes fluttered majestically in the next frame as blonde Greasy Moore came up with the big time clutch act to drive in three runs with a rousing triple to the centrefield wall. It was a typical money-labelled hit in the Jimmy Riple style.

Two bingles, a walk and a sacrifice brought in three more North American runs in the 6th inning as Wee Willie Wilson, pinch-runner R. J. Wilson and Tony Muscavago cruised home on high.

Starry Willie Wilson's prodigious homer in the last stanza off relief hurler Zinho Gosano, added that last minute thrill to complete the rout of last year's titheholders.

THE slip-slushy ball field after the Sabbath morning down-pour gave ball fans a real error-making classic and put the local All-Stars two up and one to go TURN to Page 5, Column Two

Hawaiians Break 400-metre Relay Record

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 24 (Reuter).—A new American 400-metre relay swimming record was created by the Hawaiian team which captured the third consecutive team championship in the recent National A.A.U. swimming meet at Saint Louis, by garnering eight first places out of 10 events.

Participating in a local swimming meet, the Hawaiian team composed of Bill Smith, Paul Herron, Charles Oda and Takashi Hirose negotiated the 400 metres in 4 minutes 2 3/10 seconds, shattering the previous week 4 minutes 0 8/10 seconds created in 1935 by the Yale University team.

Meanwhile, in the same meet Chiyeko Miyamoto, mermald from Hawaii, who won the 300-metre individual medley in the National Women's Swimming Championships, was placed first in the 100-metre back-stroke, registering the last time of 63 4/10 seconds.



H. (Showboat) Ali sliding home in the U.S. Navy v. Hongkong All-Stars Charity match at Chatham Road on Sunday. Wally Ching, on deck, with Doc Molthen umpiring. Tony Muscavago, the catcher, on all fours.—Ming Yuen.

Weekend Stars

Wee Willie Wilson and Crooner Ruel, United States—Former led the Yankee clouting attack with a tremendous homer and three singlets, drove in three runs and crossed the plate with three more; the "Crooner" hurled masterful ball despite a bad ankle injury, holding Portugal to two measly bingles and whiffing five.

Wally Ching and Hank Chang, All-Stars—Former checked in with four tallies in the close Hongkong win and bore down in the clutch with steady relief twirling; latter fielded brilliantly on a shaky infield, chalked up three runs in the high-scoring game and drove in another.

Bill Chang and Al Lau, China—Former led China's slugging attack, slamming out four bingles and crossing the plate with three runs in the big Chinese win; "Specs" Al hurled three hit balls, fanned five and also added a big gusto to the attack with a double and two singlets, scored two runs and drove in three more.

Hongkong Beat Macao At Mini-Soccer

THE HONGKONG Interport miniature football team, led by Mr. Ho Cheuk-hung, sailed for Macao on Sunday to beat the Macao team 2-1 in an encounter at Arela Preia.

On arrival, they were met by representatives of the Macao Miniature Football Association and members of the home team, and were entertained at a tea party.

Later in the afternoon, the teams met, and after a very interesting game, Hongkong won by two goals to one. The scorers for Hongkong were Lai Chung-yin and Chan Chark-kai.

H.E. the Governor of Macao (Commr. Telxclair) and the Commissioner of Police of the Portuguese Colony were among the large number of spectators.

The Hongkong team returned yesterday.

U.S. Ryder Cup Team Beaten

DETROIT, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Bobby Jones' team, in a challenge match, has beaten the United States 1939 Ryder Cup team 8 1/2-6 1/2.

The foursomes played yesterday and on Saturday resulted in a 3-2 lead for the Ryder Cup team. Ten singles were played to-day in which the Ryder Cup players were beaten 5 1/2-4 1/2.

Shanghai Swimming Championships Under Way

Hekking Wins 220 Freestyle Title

SHANGHAI, Aug. 16.—Bobby Hekking was crowned Shanghai Champion at the A.S.F. pool yesterday, when he triumphed in a close 220 yards race, edging out strong competition in T. Chie, being clocked at 2.37, his fastest time in a 220 race to date.

Meanwhile, the other favourites came through in their respective championship events to receive their crowns. Alec Grebenshikoff beat Jackie Dodd in the 100 yards Men's Breaststroke, while Miss Doreen Gray won the 50 yards Ladies' Breaststroke, and Miss Jill Pech the 50 yards Ladies' backstroke.

Helped by a fine start, Hekking took an early lead in the eight-lap 220 race. Chie however soon caught up and the two left the other swimmers, Wen and Stephen, behind.

Fighting neck and neck to the finish, Hekking and Chie raised tension to a breaking point.

Although both slowed down on the seventh lap, they showed new life in a spurt on the last lap. Hekking edged a little ahead, but Chie kept coming up strongly.

Smart Move Wins Race

As the A.S.F. pool is measured out in metres, the swimmers had to turn after the eighth lap and swim a yard back, to complete exactly the 220 mark.

Here Hekking displayed a smart piece of fast thinking, which gave him the race by the slim margin of a half a yard.

Touching the end of the pool with one hand, and instead of turning completely around, Hekking simply slapped his other hand back, thus touching the finish rope and winning the race, while Chie was still taking the turn.

When came in a few seconds after Chie to beat Stephen.

Dodd Leads All Way

JACKIE DODD gave a big scare to Alec Grebenshikoff, when he took a lead of a couple of yards and kept ahead for three laps of the 100 yards breast-stroke event.

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Dodd, using a butterfly stroke, finished the third lap a yard ahead of Grebenshikoff, but lost a few valuable seconds on the turn.

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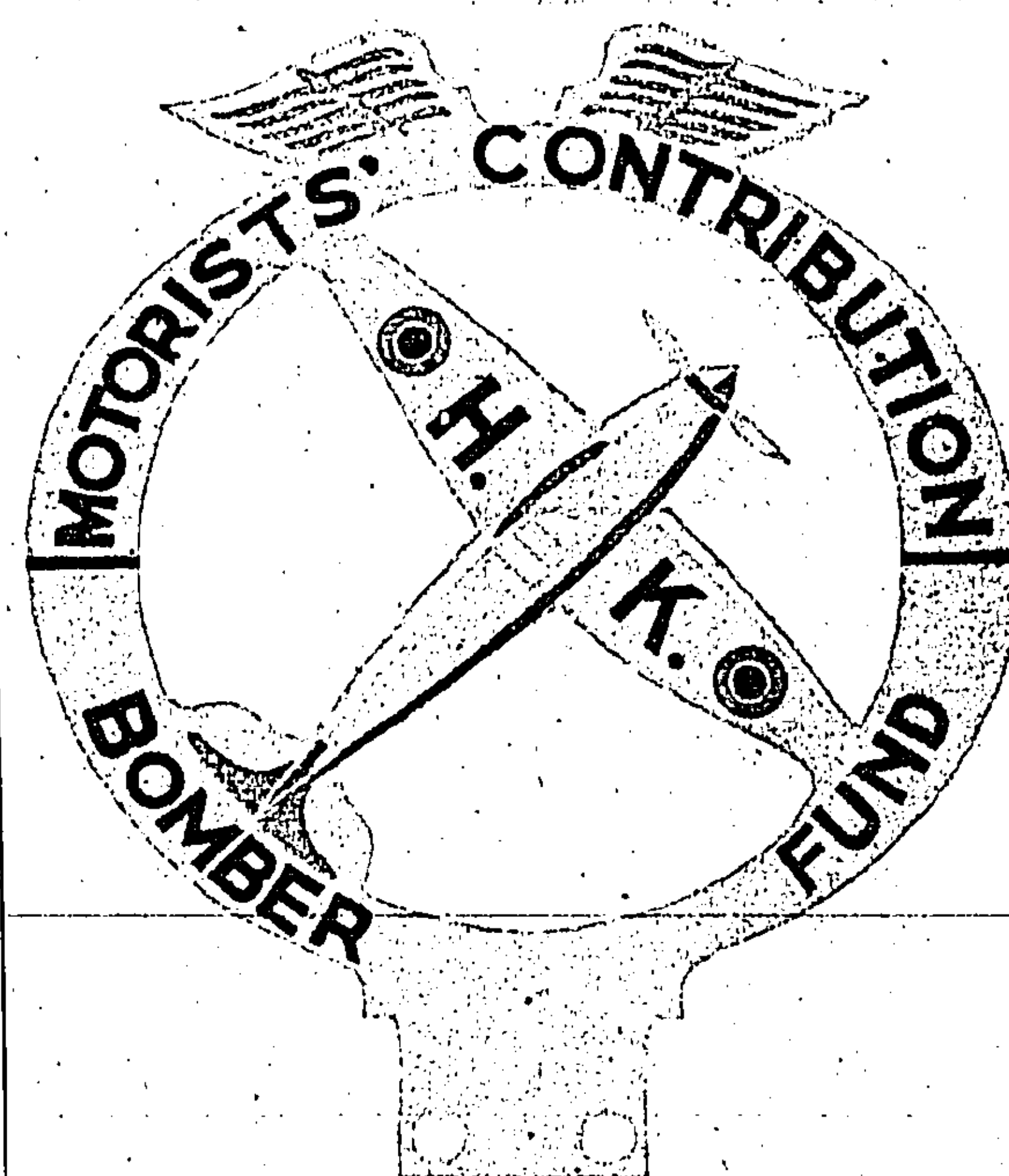
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Engineers Develop New "Atom-Sorter"

By Pierre Villora

United Press Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK, Aug. 23 (UP). — Westinghouse research technicians have developed a portable mass spectrometer — great news for oil men. The spectrometer, or "atom sorter," can classify by weight the molecules and atoms which are the building blocks of all matter, according to Dr. E. U. Condon, associate director of the Westinghouse Research Laboratories, who, with Dr. J. A. Hipple, research physicist, developed the device.

What makes this development great news for oil men is the fact that with a little further development, it is hoped that the atom sorter will improve the quality of refined products by keeping a constant check on the separation and combination of gases. In addition, there are possibilities that the instrument will be able to discover new oil deposits by analysing soil gases.

Other uses include the analysis of gases for the heat treating and hardening of steel and the tracing of carbon and other elements in animal bodies.

"Until about 25 years ago, it was believed that all atoms and molecules of a chemical element, such as hydrogen, oxygen or iron, had the same weight," Dr. Hipple said. "But recent research has shown that almost all elements contain a mixture of atoms having two or more weight groups. These weight groups are called isotopes, some of which are abundant, others very scarce. The portable mass spectrometer can detect and measure the percent of atoms in each of these weight classes, even when they are so scarce as one part in 100,000."

Atomic Analysis

"Since the difference in weight has almost no effect on the way the particles of an element behave in chemical reactions, it gives us a valuable method of atomic analysis. For example, when a lot of heavy carbon atoms are fed to a guinea pig, these atoms go through the digestive process just the same as other carbon atoms in the animal's diet. Then the biologist can discover where all the carbon goes in the guinea pig by analysing bits of his body in the mass spectrometer until he discovers places where the heavy carbon atoms show up in abundance. Such research often reveals valuable clues about the bodily processes of human as well."

Dr. Hipple first built a room-sized spectrometer, and then made a more compact one and put it on wheels so that it can be rolled from one job to another.

Million Miles An Hour

The portable mass spectrometer sorts atoms and molecules by shooting them around a bend in a glass vacuum tube up to a million miles an hour. Just before they start, they are given an electrical charge. Then they pass through a chamber where high voltage acts on the electric charges and shoots the particles to the other end of the tube.

The curved part of the tube is enclosed in a powerful electro-magnet which bends the paths of the atoms. The lighter the atom or molecule the more its path is bent. At the other end of the tube the percentages of particles of different kinds are measured with electric meters.

BRAVERY OF FIRE PARTY

Mr. Herbert Morrison, Minister of Home Security, described in "sheer bravery" the courage of a City fire party of seven girls and eight men, who watched a ring fire growing round them yet stayed on and saved a bank building. They were armed with three garden hoses fed from storage tanks, and five stirrup pumps. They had the choice of abandoning their building or staying on. They stayed and fought the flames for ten hours.



HE'LL STAY—Italian consular agent in U.S., Attilio Ortolani, 72, said he would rather stay in America in a "concentration camp" than return to his native Italy. The State Department let him remain.

Pumping Sunshine Into Blood

Old Point Comfort, Virginia, Aug. 23 (UP). — A method of pumping sunshine into the blood for treatment of diseases caused by infection of the blood stream was described here recently by Dr. George P. Milley of Philadelphia.

At the opening session of the 97th annual Convention of the American Institute of Homeopathy here, he said:

The technique consists of withdrawing a predetermined amount of blood, based on the body weight of the patient, and re-injecting it immediately by means of an automatic transfusion pump through a closed system of rubber tubing containing a chamber for irradiation of the blood by ultra-violet rays.

As the blood passes through the irradiation chamber, it is exposed to an intense source of ultra-violet ray or "sunshine," Dr. Milley said, and then flows back immediately into the circulatory system, loaded with "the health-restoring rays."

The treatment, Dr. Milley said, has been found particularly successful against various types of fevers, as well as common ailments such as boils and carbuncles.

No Ill Effects

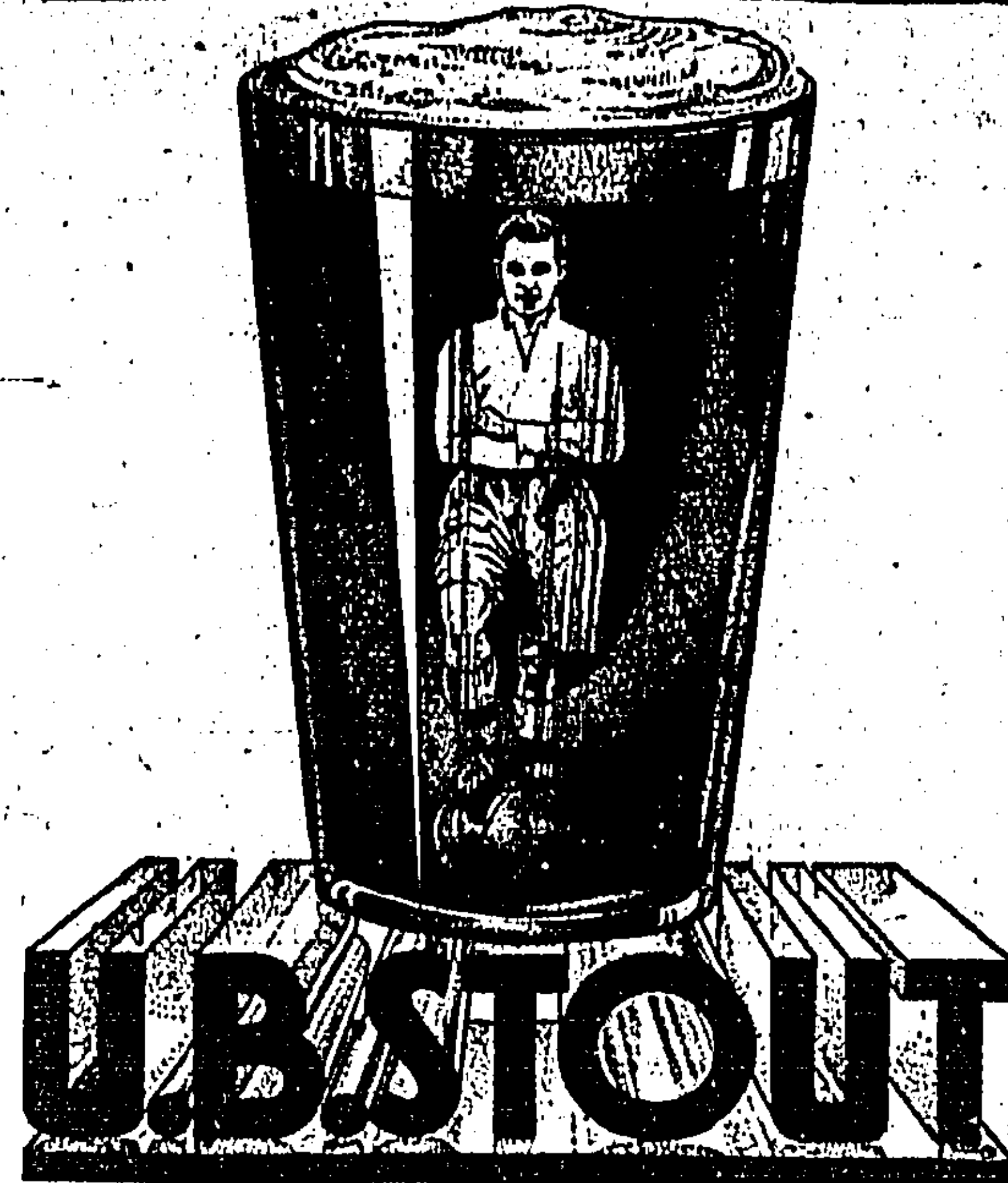
One of the most beneficial effects of the treatment, according to cases studied and treated, is the stoppage of toxic symptoms caused by poison in the blood, including nausea, delirium, rapid pulse and respiration together with the dropping of high body temperatures.

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Thrust Toward Dniepertrovsk

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neither side has any special claim to record and that no further German advance has been scored in the Leningrad sector.

Counter-Offensive
Independent information suggests that Marshal Timoshenko's counter-offensive is gathering momentum east of Kiev and may relieve the German pressure in the Dnieper bend where the famous industrial centre of Dnieper-Petrovsk is mentioned for the first time.

There is, however, no suggestion that the Germans have anywhere been able to establish themselves on the east bank of the river. The German admission that Russian bridge-heads are being attacked suggests that Marshal Budenny is still in comfortable control of the river and that the Russian garrison in Odessa is proving a nasty thorn in the German flank.

Reinforcements
The most important development, however, is taking place in the region of the Caucasus, where British and Russian forces are likely to establish a junction very soon. The effect of this open and expeditious design to supply and, if necessary, reinforcements, should have an appreciable result on the operations in southern Russia. The possibilities of early R.A.F. collaboration must not be overlooked.

Hitlerian Strategy In East

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ranges and deserts form its main defence.

Iran has in the past been conquered from the west, east and south, and in those times the invaders were not as desperate as are today's Nazis for Iran's 60,000,000 barrels of oil which her wells produce annually.

Development by the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company of the country's oil resources has to-day made it the No. 3 oil producer in the world.

Doughty Fighters
Although the Persians are doughty fighters they have to-day little but their traditional courage with which to oppose any panzer drive. The Iranian Army is around 100,000 strong and has an air force of about 200 planes, mostly of an antiquated design. There are at least one dozen air bases established and the country is in general suitable for the construction of landing grounds.

Iran's tiny navy concentrates on carrying out patrols in the Persian Gulf.

Lying as it does midway between the Soviet Union and India, Iran has become the centre of conjecture in which only one thing is certain—the Germans' determination to exploit Iran's strategic situation and her great natural resources.

Successful Espionage
German agents in Iran have been generously supplied with Reichsbank gold and their tasks of espionage and corruption have met with some success. There has been extensive Nazi infiltration and there is sound reason for assuming that their activities have met with considerable success amongst the officers and ranks of the Iranian Army. This is an achievement which has gratified Hitler.

Iran, whose development in the last 20 years has been almost entirely due to British aid, as the bulk of her revenue comes from the percentage payment on her oil production, has been given every opportunity to rid herself of German infiltration but has failed to do so.

Hughes Approves Churchill Speech

SYDNEY, Aug. 23 (Reuter).—The Australian Minister for the Navy, Mr. W. M. Hughes, described Mr. Winston Churchill's broadcast as "a clarion call inspiring the British people to iron resolve to conquer."

Mr. Hughes said that the Premier's declaration of policy towards Russia would be received with loud acclamation throughout the Empire.

Turkey Said Displeased

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ing alongside the Russians in the defence of Baku.

Iranian quarters said that according to their information, there is no indication here that the Germans are planning to aid Iran, although some Turkish observers think it has likely been suggested that Germans and Italians might launch an attack from the air, thus relieving the pressure on Iran.

Official Notification
LONDON, Aug. 25 (UP).—It is authoritatively reported that Britain has notified Turkey, Egypt, Iraq, Saudi Arabia and Afghanistan of the entry of British troops into Iran and the reasons therefor.

The notification included the assurances that Britain will do nothing to damage the interests of Iran and her neighbours; moreover, Britain and Russia informed Turkey that they have no designs on Iran's political independence or territorial integrity.

Soviet Note
LONDON, Aug. 25 (UP).—Radio Moscow announced this morning that Molotov, the Foreign Commissar, handed a note to the Iran Minister reviewing the relationship between Soviet Russia and Iran since 1918 when Soviet Russia concluded the first treaty of friendship with Iran.

The announcement stated that the Soviets moved into Iran on the basis of the Russo-Iran treaty of February 20, 1921 in which Soviet troops are allowed to march in if Iran was used as a base for the preparation of hostile action by a third Power. The note promised that the Soviet forces would withdraw "immediately when this danger has passed."

Reaction of Egypt
CAIRO, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Great excitement prevailed in Cairo as news gradually spread of the joint Anglo-Russian military action in Iran.

It was felt that it was the first step towards strengthening the weak link in the chain of Middle East countries.

King Farouk's sister is married to the son of the Shah of Iran; otherwise there is little in the way of cultural relations between the two countries which, because they belong to opposing Moslem sects, are sharply divided on religious ground.

Unofficial observers consider that the operations in Iran are likely to take two forms—firstly, linking of British and Russian forces by the shortest cut and secondly, a drive to the north from Basra.

Relief At Decision
CAIRO, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—News of the advance into Iran caused great relief throughout the countries of the Middle East Command who have been highly conscious of this weak link in the great front which now stretches from West Africa to Singapore.

It is still not known whether the Iranian forces intend to offer resistance, but it is thought here that if resistance is offered, it will not be on as large a scale as, say, in Syria.

The Iranian Army is believed to number about 10 divisions, said to be well-trained but lacking modern equipment. It is reported that their Air Force is only 10 modern aircraft while there are said to be even fewer tanks, of German make.

There is a possibility that the Germans may try to send reinforcements by air, but the fact that Russia is acting in co-operation with Britain will make this most difficult.

The advance from Iraq should lead to a rapid linking up of the British and Russian troops. This step towards the creation of a front stretching from Munnank southwards to the Middle East, from Cairo to Basra, will form a great arc on Germany's east, barring her road.

Mr D. J. N. Anderson, Magistrate, has been transferred to Central Magistracy, with effect from yesterday, his place in Kowloon Magistracy being taken by Mr A. N. Macfadyen.

Malaya Strength Increase

Singapore, Aug. 25.
It is officially stated that the largest body of R.A.F. reinforcements for more than a year arrived in Malaya this morning from the United Kingdom.

The same quarters state that reinforcements have also arrived for the Indian Expeditionary Force in Malaya, including a complete hospital unit.

The R.A.F. arrivals, who completed their 10,000 mile journey uneventfully, include air crews, plus hundreds of ground technicians who will be posted all over Malaya.

Their organized debarkation was completed within an hour, and the men were eager to leave the former luxury liner on which they had spent eight monotonous weeks.

The arrivals said that the voyage was without incident save for the sinking of one ship whose inadequate speed had prevented her from keeping pace with the convoy, which had a very strong naval escort for the greater part of the voyage.

"I bet old Winston didn't have a better escort when he went to meet Roosevelt," one airman remarked.

The new contingent includes a party of R.A.F. men from the Middle East.

The Indian reinforcements belong to many categories of the service, including volunteers still in training—United Prices.

The Indian reinforcements disembarked at several different ports, Reuter adds. They included Sikhs, Pathans, Dogras and South Indians belonging to the Infantry, artillery and ordnance corps. All were completely equipped with their own stores.

House-Breaker, Gaol-Breaker Captured

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Stanley Thurston, the escaped convict known as the "man whom no gaol can hold," was arrested in London to-day after 152 days' liberty.

He had no identity card, no ration book and no gas mask.

Thurston, who is 31 years of age, escaped from the grim high-walled prison of Dartmoor on March 23. He was serving a sentence of five years' penal servitude and five years' preventive detention passed in August 1930 for 'house-breaking, larceny and being a habitual criminal.'

Dartmoor is the fifth prison from which he has escaped.

LATE NEWS

Lady Northcote Arrives

Lady Northcote, wife of His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, arrived in the Colony early this morning.

His Excellency and Lady Northcote are to lunch to-day with the Chinese Members of Council and their ladies at the residence of the Hon. Mr W. N. Thomas Tam.

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BRITISH TROOPS ENCOUNTER SOME RESISTANCE IN SOUTHERN IRAN

Advance Towards Persian Oil Centre is Objective

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, AUG. 25 (UP).—WHILE NEWS OF THE ACTUAL PROGRESS OF BRITISH AND RUSSIAN TROOPS INTO IRAN REMAINS SCANT, AUTHORITATIVE QUARTERS IN LONDON TO-DAY REVEALED THAT THE BRITISH FORCE, WHICH CONSISTS OF TROOPS FROM THE BRITISH ISLES, PLUS INDIAN TROOPS, HAVE ALREADY ENCOUNTERED RESISTANCE.

ONE OF THE POINTS OF INTEREST IS BANDAR SHAHPURAT, AT THE HEAD OF THE PERSIAN GULF, WHERE THE TROOPS LANDED FROM SHIPS.

The British troops, which authoritative quarters said had entered southern Iran, will presumably operate from the Iraq border which is the best from all points of view because it has far and away the best communications. In addition to this, it will enable a quick thrust towards the Persian oil centre situated not far east of the border with a pipeline to the head of the Persian Gulf.

An advance from Baluchistan presents tremendous natural difficulties with long lines of communications and would yield little or no profit.

It is not known in London whether British forces also landed on the Iranian coast. If operating from Iraq, it seems quite possible that the British force, under the command of General Sir Archibald Wavell, includes United States planes flown from the Middle East in addition to Wavell's Indian army.

TOWNS BOMBED, ALLEGATION

Iran Premier's Statement

LONDON, AUG. 25 (Reuter).—British forces bombed and shelled several Iranian towns, according to the Iranian Premier, addressing an extraordinary session of the Iranian Parliament to-day, according to the Teheran radio to-night.

AMERICA TO PLAY BIG ROLE

Supplies To Russia Through Iran

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
WASHINGTON, AUG. 25 (UP).—Political circles here to-day said that the United States will probably play a big role in Soviet defence if the Anglo-Russian campaign succeeds in opening Iran as a channel for the dispatch of supplies to the Soviets.

They asserted that Iran is the best available route to send supplies which would buttress the Soviet defences particularly in the vital Baku oilfields just north of Iran.

The United States fleet will doubtless play a historic role in such a service, because it can protect the United States supply lines to the head of the Persian Gulf while also continuing its duties as guardian of the Pacific.

Best Solution

Iran is the key to the best possible solution of how the United States can aid both Russia and Britain without withdrawing her fleet from the Pacific.

In this connection, observers are of the opinion that Mr Churchill's promise of armed assistance to the United States in event of trouble with Japan was made with a view to safeguarding United States supply shipments across the Pacific. It is recalled that Mr Churchill also said that no barrier would be permitted to interfere with the promised aid to Russia—thus apparently referring to either Iran, or Japan, or both.

Hughes Approves Churchill Speech

SYDNEY, AUG. 25 (Reuter).—The Australian Minister for the Navy, Mr W. M. Hughes, described Mr Winston Churchill's broadcast as "a clarion call inspiring the British people to iron resolve to conquer."

Mr Hughes said that the Premier's declaration of policy towards Russia would be received with loud acclamation throughout the Empire.

Nearly 8 Ins. Of Rain In 33 Hours

Between midnight on Sunday up to 9 o'clock this morning, the rainfall in Hongkong totalled 7.865 inches. During the 23 hours ending at 11 o'clock last night the rainfall was 3.645 inches, but this was well exceeded during the subsequent ten hours, no less than 4.320 inches being recorded.

The heaviest downfall during the night was between 3.30 and 4.30 this morning when .65 of an inch of rain was registered.

Turkey Said Displeased With Allied Action

Special to the "Telegraph"

ANKARA, AUG. 25 (UP).—The British Ambassador Sir Hugh Knatchbull Hugessen and the Soviet Ambassador M. Vindogradov had conferences with the Foreign Minister, M. Sarajoglu which lasted throughout the morning.

The only formal political bonds between Turkey and Iran is the Sandabab treaty, with Iraq as a third member which, however, has no military clauses.

Turkish public opinion is distinctly displeased with the Anglo-Russian action. The Turkish press is expressing sympathy for Iran and describes the Shah as being in many ways similar to Turkey's Ataturk.

Brief Campaign Expected

British sources express confidence that the campaign will be brief. It is aimed at creating direct communication lines with the Soviet army so that if the Germans reach the Caucasus they will find the British fighting.

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Russians Advance

MOSCOW, AUG. 26 (Reuter).—The official Soviet news agency announces that Russian troops have advanced 40 kilometres into Iran and that the advance continues, while Moscow Radio says that Soviet troops are advancing in the direction of Tabriz.

Some Resistance

LONDON, AUG. 25 (Reuter).—According to the latest news from Iran available in authoritative circles in London this afternoon, the British units which entered the country encountered some resistance, but it is not yet known where this occurred or how serious the resistance was.

One British contingent made a landing from the sea in the Persian Gulf at Bandar Shapur. It is believed that this contingent met some resistance but this is not definitely confirmed.

The British forces entering Iran include both British and Indian troops but it is understood that no Dominion troops are involved.

Sending Wheat

SIMLA, AUG. 25 (Reuter).—Sixty thousand tons of wheat have already been sent from India to Iran. This wheat is for the people of Iran with whom Britain has no quarrel, and whose normal supplies have been seriously depleted by earlier Axis demands.

Steps are being taken to send supplies of other essential commodities to Iran. It is estimated that there are at present about 3,000 Indians in Iran, mainly in oil-fields and in Meshed.

Arms, in the northwest. Precautionary measures regarding Iranian consulates in India will, it is expected, be taken immediately.

Export Restricted

LONDON, AUG. 25 (Reuter).—The Board of Trade has made an order prohibiting all export of goods to Iran.

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Russians Evacuate Novgorod: Ukraine Offensive Continues

MOSCOW, AUG. 26 (Reuter).—The evacuation of Novgorod is announced in the Soviet midnight communique, which states:

"During August 25, our troops stubbornly fought the enemy along the whole front. After tenacious fighting, our troops left Novgorod (100 miles due south of Leningrad).

Further Sabotage Of Paris Railways

Special to the "Telegraph"

VICHY, AUG. 25 (UP).—The railway sabotage which was announced by Conte De Brinon, Vichy Ambassador to Paris, continued to-day with two serious accidents in the Paris suburbs; firstly, outside Montparnasse station where four cars of a German train were derailed after bolts had been removed from a double length of rails; and, secondly, at Poissy near St Germain where a wrecked French train lay across the main tracks inside the station blocking traffic for 36 hours.

New Lease, Lend Proposals

WASHINGTON, AUG. 25 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt is reported to have discussed with his legislative advisers to-day a new Lend and Lease request for between \$5,000,000,000 and \$6,000,000,000, which he intends to make about September 15.

Informed circles state that the exact amount of the request has not been determined. Estimates of the cost of the new programme are still being obtained by government departments.

To-day's conference are reported to have re-affirmed the previous decision that none of the new funds will be used for helping Russia. One conference told reporters: "Russia has funds to buy things with now and for some time to come, and we won't have to finance her purchases."

FINE BOMBER FUND EFFORT

A splendid contribution to the Bomber Fund of \$1,000 has been received from the Chinese Staff of the Gloucester Hotel, representing 25% of the total proceeds of the concert given by them recently at the King's Theatre.

All incidental expenses in connection with the production of the concert were borne by subscriptions, and 75% of the total proceeds has been remitted to General Chiang Kai-shek to be devoted to Chinese War Funds. This was converted into Chinese National currency, the Staff making up the difference in order to send the round sum of C\$20,000.

LATEST

See Back Page For Further Late News

THAI CABINET CHANGES

Premier Gives Up Two Portfolios

BANGKOK, AUG. 25 (Reuter).—Luang Bhan Songgram, Premier of Thailand, who used to hold the portfolios of Defence, Foreign Affairs and the Interior and who recently divested himself of the Defence Ministry, has appointed two independent Ministers of Foreign Affairs and the Interior.

Nat Dirak Chinnam, formerly Deputy Foreign Minister, is appointed Foreign Minister, and Luang Chavengsakdi, formerly Deputy Minister of the Interior, becomes Minister of the Interior, states "Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent here.

It will be recalled that Major Luang Kavit Aphaiwong was appointed a Minister on August 19.

Japanese Blockade Is Feared in Shanghai

Special to the "Telegraph"

SHANGHAI, AUG. 25 (UP).—Foreigners are becoming increasingly worried by the Japanese construction of wire barricades around the entire International Settlement and French Concession fearing the possibility of a repetition of the 1939 blockade of Tientsin.

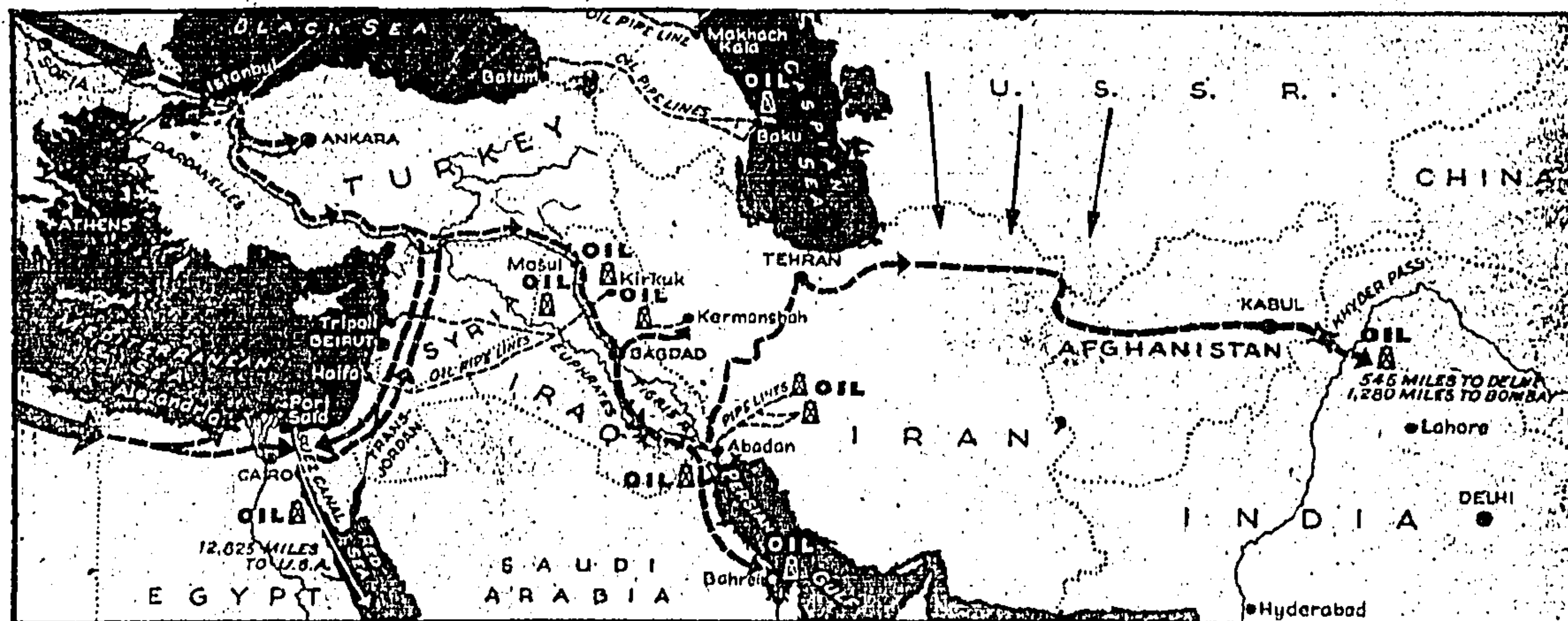
Japanese military authorities claim that the barricades are designed for closer check on the Chinese who cross the settlement boundaries in order to halt the recent wave of terrorism.

It is recalled that one Japanese civilian was killed and another wounded last week, also that several pro-Nanking and pro-Chungking followers were also killed. The Japanese have constructed approximately 25 miles of barbed wire barricades around the International Settlement and have barricaded the highways to permit single lane traffic only.

Some informed circles anticipate that in the event of a worsening of the Pacific situation, the Japanese might blockade Shanghai, cutting off essential food supplies. Due to shortages, plus hoarding, the price of rice to-day rose to 130 Yuan per picul which is beyond the reach of the average Chinese, wherefore the majority are dependent upon the importation of vegetables from the interior.

War Scene Is Shifted

The sudden decision to move British and Russian troops into Iran has shifted world attention to this strategic country overnight. This map clearly illustrates the importance of Iran to Russia and Britain in the protection of their territories.



TONS OF BOMBS ON TRIPOLI

Big Operations By The R.A.F.

CAIRO, AUG. 25 (Reuter).—British bombers are still busy in the Middle East. A large force of R.A.F. heavy bombers dropped nearly 20 tons of bombs on docks and supply and petrol dumps at Tripoli during the night of August 23-24, says an R.A.F. communique.

Many direct hits were obtained and more than 30 large fires were started, one so big that it was visible 135 miles away.

After the bomb attack, British aircraft machine-gunned objectives in the harbour area and the aerodrome at Melana. The attack was carried out from a very low altitude.

Shipping Hit

During the same night, other aircraft bombed enemy encampments in Sollum, Badda and Gambut areas. Medium bombers attacked two enemy schooners and an escort vessel in the Gulf of Sirtey. One schooner and the escort vessel were sunk, and the other schooner was left apparently sinking.

R.A.F. fighters in the Mediterranean on Sunday intercepted a number of German dive-bombers which attempted to attack British shipping and shot down one onto the sea.

Photos show that a merchant ship attacked by bombers at Tripoli on the night of August 21-22 was sunk. All British aircraft returned safely from all these operations.

DUCHESS OF GLOUCESTER

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- The right to publish any or all of the entries is reserved to the Hongkong Telegraph.
- All photographs entered must have been taken in the Colony of Hongkong. Photographs which have been already entered in other Competitions are ineligible.
- No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of, loss of, or damage to entries.
- All entries to be either black, sepia, or toned pictures, and must be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.
- Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by smaller print in black and white.
- No picture to be entered in more than one Section.
- Mounts to be only white or cream, must be of one of the following sizes:—10x12, 10x10.
- No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.
- Members of the Staffs of the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post are not permitted to compete.
- The decision of the Judges shall be final.
- At the conclusion of the Competition, the names of the winners will be published in the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post.
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Similar Power of Attorney has been issued to Edgar Harold Fenderson who has been appointed District Accountant at Hongkong to succeed Leon Henry George Frost.

THE TEXAS COMPANY (CHINA) LTD.

BY P. F. LEFEVRE,
Managing Director.
Hongkong, August 25th, 1941.

NOTICE

EVACUATION REPRESENTATION COMMITTEE

A public meeting will be held on Thursday, August 28, at 6 p.m. in the Rose Room, Peninsula Hotel, for all husbands and relatives of evacuees and others who are interested.

(Sgd.) W. V. TAYLOR,
Acting Hon. Secretary.

Evacuation Representation Committee.

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Lady Northcote Arrives

Lady Northcote, wife of His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, arrived in the Colony early this morning.

His Excellency and Lady Northcote are to lunch to-day with the Chinese Members of Council and their ladies at the residence of the Hon. Mr W. N. Thomas Tam.



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H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

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H.K. Banks \$.....77 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.) \$.....82 n.
Chartered Bank \$.....94 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. \$.....23 1/2 n.
Mercantile C. \$.....11 1/2 n.
East Asia \$.....76 n.

INSURANCES
Canton Ins. \$.....225 b.
Union Ins. \$.....420 b.
China Underwriters \$.....1 n.
H.K. Fire Ins. \$.....103 b.

SHIPPING
Douglas \$.....120 n.
Steamships \$.....8 1/2 b.
Indo-China P. \$.....7 1/2 n.
Indo-China D. \$.....70 n.
Shell (Bearers) \$.....49 1/4 n.
Waterboats \$.....0.65 n.

DOCKS ETC.
Wharves \$.....0.1 n.
Docks \$.....0.10 b.
Shai Dockyards \$.....20 1/4 n.

MINING
Kailan \$.....13 1/4 n.
Rauba \$.....7 1/4 n.
H.K. Mines \$.....2 cts n.

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Trams \$.....17.15 s.
Peak Trams (old) \$.....7 n.
Peak Trams (new) \$.....31 n.
Star Ferries \$.....22 1/2 n.
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China Lights (old) \$.....5.95 b.
China Lights (new) \$.....1.30 b.
H.K. Electric (old) x. rts. 21.80 n.
H.K. Electric (new) \$.....21 1/4 n.
H.K. Electric Rts. \$.....11.15 s.
Macao Electric \$.....10 1/2 n.
Sandakan Lights \$.....12 1/2 n.
Telephones (old) \$.....23 1/4 s.
Telephones (new) \$.....8 1/2 b.

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Cald. Macg. (Ord.) \$.....30 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pref.) \$.....25 n.
Canton Ice \$.....1 n.
Cements \$.....15 s.
H.K. Rope \$.....9 s.

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Dairy Farms \$.....18 1/4 n.
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Constructions (new) \$......90 n.
Vibro Piling \$.....7 1/2 n.
Masrmans Inv. (Lon.) \$.....0/3 n.
Masrmans Inv. (H.K.) \$.....1/6 n.

Motorists Contribute To Bombers
Yesterday's collections for the Bomber Fund included \$750 from the Hongkong Automobile Association, being the first success for the motorist's contribution; a thirteenth donation of \$100 from Miss Marion Potter, and several other donations. The fund has now reached a total of \$2,302,552.46, having started out towards the \$2,000,000 mark.

The following are the latest donations:
P. S. S. Chicken Feed (weekly donation) \$.....\$12.40
Mr. R. I. Cherrill \$.....200
Hongkong Automobile Association (Sale of Motor Car Badges) \$.....750
Ben's Queer Poker Party \$.....10
Shove He Penny \$.....10
V. for Victory (Punks) \$.....10
V. (fourth donation) \$.....10
Miss Marion Potter (thirteenth donation) \$.....100
Kowloon Joint Garden City Association (half share of raffie held at Supper Dance on May 25) \$.....30
Bill's Ball Table (seventh donation) \$.....10.50
Balance of Contribution from Chinese Staff of Kowloon Godown \$.....36
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The following are subscriptions received to date for credit of the British War Organisation Fund, Hongkong Branch:
Previously acknowledged, \$115 and \$752.17.17.
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The Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children acknowledges the following donations:
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London Acknowledgment
The following telegram, dated August 21, has been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies by His Excellency the Governor:
"Following from Colonel Moore Brabazon.—Latest £6,000 from South China Morning Post War Fund gratefully acknowledged. Please convey my deep appreciation. Such generous help to our united war effort invaluable."

STOCK EXCHANGE
Anglo-Iranian Oils
LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day displayed a generally firm and cheerful tendency under the influence of the Allied move in Iran and the stimulating speech by Mr Churchill, but business failed to expand and the markets closed more quietly.

Anglo-Iranian oils were a firm feature throughout, rising three shillings to 38s 10d. Burma oil was also good.

Gulf-edged holdings were steady. Industrials were slightly harder and Kaffirs tended to be higher.

Japanese bonds were one point higher and Brazilian bonds were also better.

Wall Street was dull.

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12.30 Benny Goodman and His Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.
1.02 A Noel Coward Programme—"Words And Music"—The Party's Over Now, Something To Do With Spring, Noel Coward (Vocal) with Orchestra; "Operette"—Selection; His Majesty's Theatre Orchestra; Most of Every Day—Fox-Trot; Jack Jackson and His Orchestra; "Conversation Piece"—Regency Ranks; Sidney Grammer, George Sarny (Vocal Quartet); Anthony Brian Fox-Trot; Noel Coward (Vocal) with Orchestra; "Operette"—Selection; His Majesty's Theatre Orchestra; I Travel Alone—Fox-Trot; Jack Jackson and His Orchestra; I'll See You Again (From Film "Bitter Sweet")—Hildegard (Vocal) with Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.
1.45 Variety with Betty Driver, Melba and Marie Oliver Wakefield and others.

2.15 Close Down.
6.00 Indian Programme.
6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 Saint-Saens—Concerto in G Minor, Op. 22 and Septet—Concerto in G Minor, Op. 22—Arthur De Greef (Piano) and New Symphony Orchestra; Septet—Op. 05.—MM. Foveau (Trumpet), Cantrelle (1st Violin) Bellanger (2nd Violin); Vieux (Viola), Marnett (Cello), Nanny (Double-bass) and Faure (Piano).
7.30 Portuguese Programme.
8.00 London Relay—The News.
8.15 London Relay—War Commentary.

8.25 London Relay—"Listening Post"—Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.
8.30 Programme Summary.

8.32 Excerpts from Verdi's Operas—"The Force of Destiny"—Overture; "Oswald Kubista and Philharmonia Orchestra; "Il Trovatore" (Act 3)—Strike Down That Dread Pyre;—Jussi Bjorling (Tenor) with Orchestra; "Otello"—Willow Song (Act 4)—Elizabeth Rethberg (Soprano) with Orchestra; "Rigoletto"—Selection; Marek Weber and His Orchestra; "Otello"—Heaven, Had I Pleased Thee To Try Me (Act 3)—Rosale Zurelli (Tenor) and Members of La Scala Orchestra, Milan.

9.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.
9.02 "Jubilee Music-Hall Parade"—1910-1935.
9.22 Patricia Rossborough (Piano) and Kenny Baker (Vocal).
9.45-10.00 News in French (On Short Wave Only).
9.45 Reginald Foort at the Organ.
10.00 London—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 B.B.C. Recording "The Land We Defend": Northern Ireland.
10.45 Dance Music by Milt Herth Trio; Joe Loss and His Orchestra; Larry Clinton and His Orchestra; Jack Hylton and His Orchestra; Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra.

11.15 Close Down.

Week's Programmes
This week ZBW will be relaying the following talks from London, in addition to the usual news commentaries:

On Wednesday night at 11 o'clock, a discussion by Gerald Barry and Sir Frederick Whyte, K.C.S.I. on "Agriculture" in the series "Britain To-day". On Thursday at 11 o'clock, a talk by the War Correspondent of the Daily Herald; and on Friday, again at 11 o'clock, Cecil Day Lewis on Mme. Curie, in the series "Makers of History". In addition to these talks, there are two relays on Saturday night, the special broadcast to British Forces in the Far East at 8.30 p.m., and the Variety programme "Old Mother Riley Takes the Air" at 11.15 p.m.

Here are some of the principal items from this week's local programmes. The transmission will open at 6.45 this evening, Tuesday 26th, with the daily stock quotations followed by Saint-Saens Concerto in G Minor and his Septet. At 10.15 p.m. another interesting feature programme on Northern Ireland, in the series "The Land We Defend" will be broadcast. These programmes are specially recorded for broadcasting by the B.B.C. On Wednesday night there are two talks from the Studio of ZBW, the first being Father Ryan on Butler's "Hudibras" at 8.40 p.m., and the second, at 9.15 by Miss Winifred Galbraith of the Y.W.C.A., who has recently arrived from London where she was in charge of a women's hostel. The subject Miss Galbraith has chosen to talk on is "The Development of Social Services".

At 7.20 p.m. on Thursday night, Rachmaninoff's Concerto No. 3 in D Minor, Op. 30, played by Rachmaninoff and the Philadelphia Orchestra, will be broadcast. Following the 9 o'clock local time signal that night, John Abbott will give another review of new records from the Studio.

Request Programme
From 9 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday there is a Classical Request programme, for which listeners are invited to write asking for any items they may care to hear. All letters must reach the Secretary not later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday, August 27. At 10.15 p.m. "Eyesore" will give a Studio presentation of Brahms Quintet in B Minor, Op. 115.

From 9.02 to 9.45 p.m. on Saturday there is a Studio Recital by three popular and well known artists: Gaston d'Aquino (tenor), Y. K. Sze (bass) and E. O'Neill Shaw (piano). At lunch time on Sunday, the 3rd Act of Verdi's "Aida" will be broadcast, followed immediately after the 1 o'clock local time signal, by a Two Piano Recital from the Studio by Eddie and Michael Boder. This transmission will close with Beethoven's Symphony No. 2 in D Major, Op. 36. Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No. 5 in D Major, played by Cortot, Thibaud and Casals, will be heard at 7.40 p.m. in the evening transmission, and the weekly Book Reviews from the Studio at 9.15 p.m.

News in French is broadcast nightly, on short wave only, from 9.45 p.m. to 10 p.m., and programmes in Portuguese are given bi-weekly on Tuesdays and Fridays from 7.30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

All talks given in this summary are Hongkong Summer Time, which is nine hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time.

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WASHINGTON, Aug. 25 (UP).—President Roosevelt to-day vetoed a bill under which the stocks of Government owned wheat and cotton would have been withheld from domestic markets, asserting that it was "contrary to sound Governmental policy which for a long time had been in the best interests of both farmers and consumers."

The veto affected 6,100,000 bales of Government cotton and 100,000,000 bushels of wheat. The bill was designed to prevent the Government from competing with the wheat and cotton farmers by selling the aforementioned stocks in the open market, and would have permitted the exportation of the stocks or allowed the Government to draw from them under the Lend and Lease conditions for domestic relief purposes.

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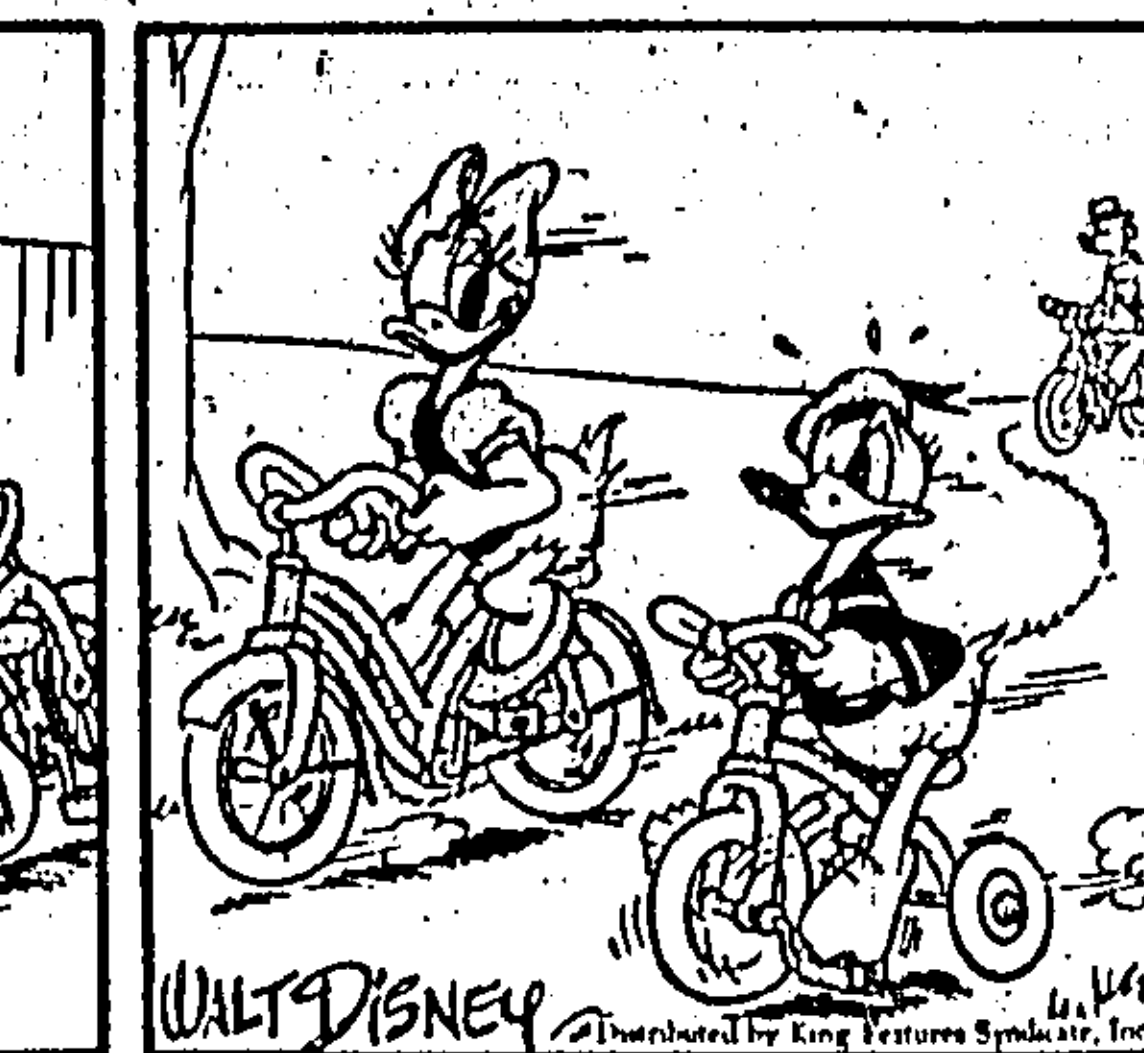
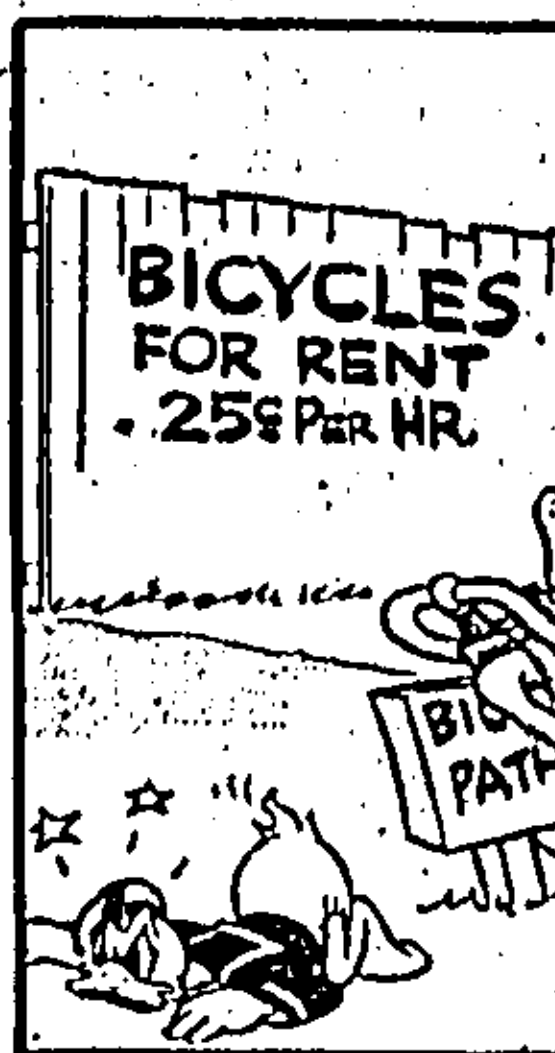
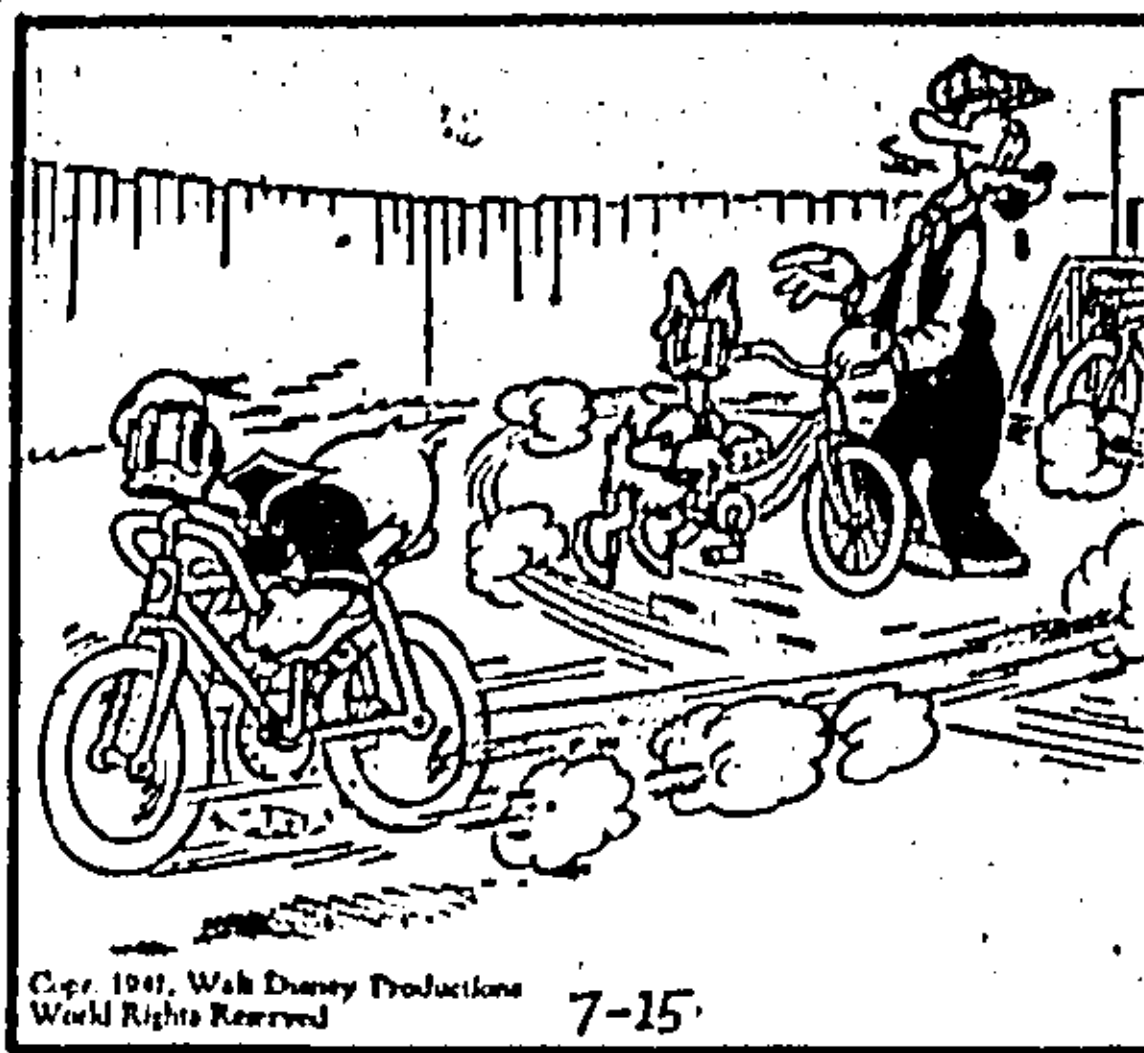
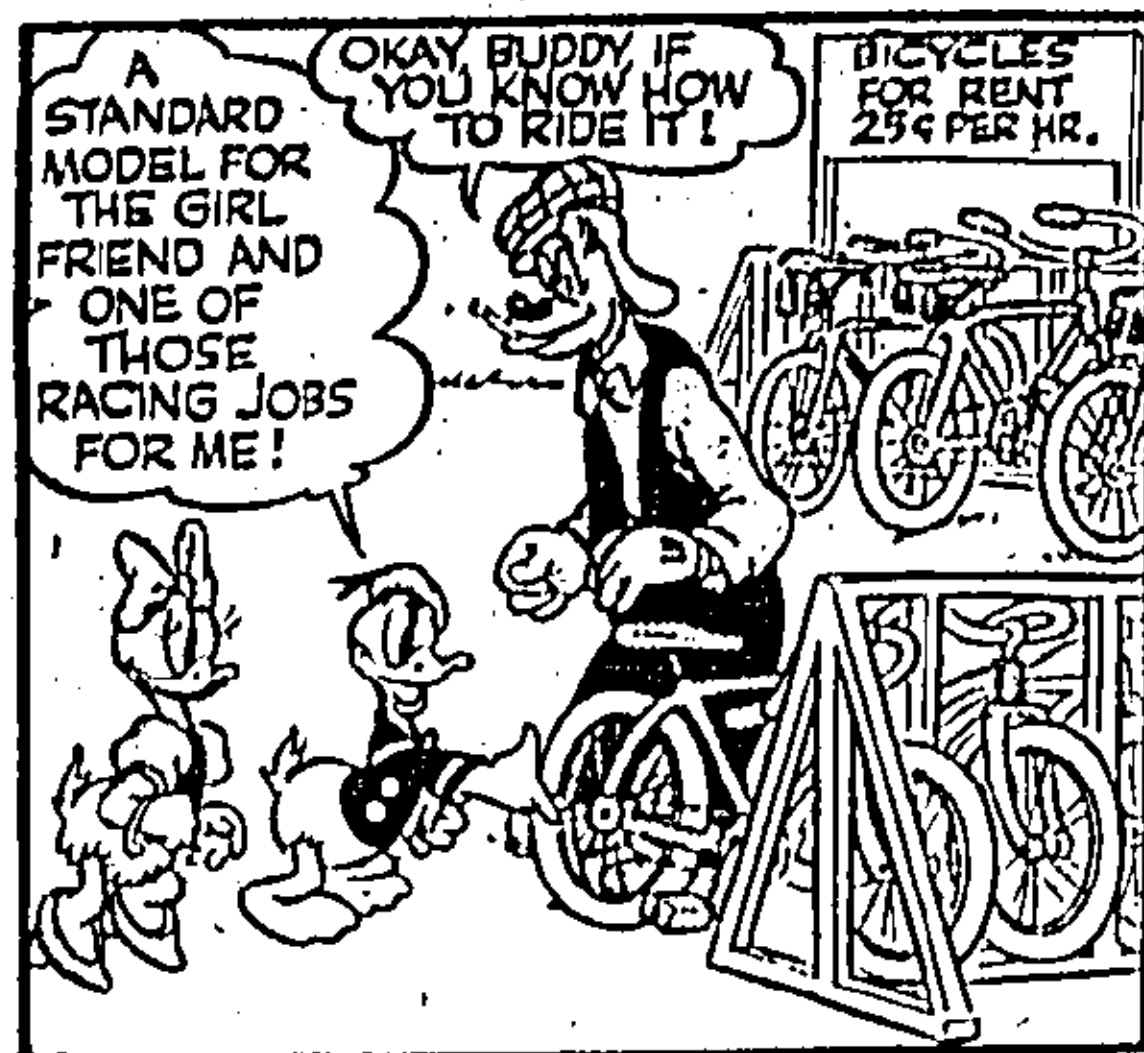
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Defensive Hold-up of an Ace

Generally speaking, when you hold an ace, you cannot put it to better advantage than in the capture of an adverse king. As proof, however, that generalities are worthless at bridge, I commend the following hand to my readers' attention:

Rubber bridge.
Both sides vulnerable.
South dealer.

♠ 10 8 4 3	♥ A 6	♦ K 7 5	♣ 10 9 8 5
♠ 9 6 2	♥ J 5 4	♦ 10 8 3	♣ Q 7 3 2
♠ A K 6	♥ Q 10 9 8 3	♦ 8 2	♣ A K

The bidding:		South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	3♥	Pass		
4♥	Pass	5♥	Pass		

This bidding is decidedly not recommended. To begin with, South's opening two heart bid was none too robust. Despite its five honor-tricks, it was right on the line between a one and a two heart bid. This, however, would have been unimportant if South had not later compounded his aggressiveness by jumping to four no-trump. It is one thing to make a light or doubtful opening bid, it is quite another to give partner subsequent assurance that there was nothing doubtful about it. North, with a good diamond suit and some strength in spades, cannot be blamed for bidding a slam after South had bid so vigorously.

It goes without saying that the contract was pretty bad, involving a very favourable trump position and the diamond finesse. Yet, I feel sure that the slam would have been fulfilled against all but a handful of defenders.

West opened the club ten. Declarer won and led a low spade to dummy in order to return a heart toward his own hand. East naturally played low and declarer put in his king. Now came the crucial, in fact the only, important phase in the play. If West had followed the practice of ninety-nine in one hundred players,

he would have taken the trick with the ace and vaguely hoped that some other trick might develop. It would not, however. Declarer would win any return, take the diamond finesse, and then, simply as a matter of percentage, finesse against the jack of trumps. Since this finesse also would immediately become a lay-down.

So much for what "would have happened." This particular West player did not make matters so easy for declarer. Without the slightest hesitation, he played low on the heart king! Note how this complicated declarer's problem. Obviously, he could not know the location of the heart ace or jack. Hence, after the king held, he made the perfectly normal play of taking the diamond finesse and leading another heart through East. When the latter again played low, declarer was faced with a sheer guess, and he chose the right play under the circumstances as he could see them. It would be futile to win with the ten-spot if East originally had started with A-J-x-x, since dummy had no more trumps for "coming through" purposes. Hence at this point the best chance seemed to be that East had ducked twice holding A-x-x, and that the jack was now blank in West's hand. Whether or not declarer should have guessed right is beside the point. The fact is that West's hold-up of the heart ace had created a very difficult problem. When, on declarer's actual play of the heart queen, West's ace won, the jack was established in East's hand for the setting trick.

To-morrow's Hand
South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

♠ 5 4 3 2	♥ 8 6 4	♦ J 7 4 3 2	♣ 8
♠ K Q J 9	♥ 8 2	♦ 8 5	♣ K 6
♠ 10	♥ A K Q J	♦ A K 6	♣ A Q 7 3

How should South play his three no-trump contract? Opening lead, spade king.

James Hilton's strange and gripping tale of a paranoiac has been made into a motion picture, with Robert Montgomery, Ingrid Bergman and George Sanders in the leading roles



RAGE IN HEAVEN

Dr Rameau has called the British Consul to his private insane asylum outside of Paris to help identify a mysterious English paranoiac, who calls himself Ward Andrews. But while they consult, the patient, unseen, escapes. In London, a few days later, Philip Monrell meets his brilliant friend Ward Andrews at a bar. Amused, Philip thinks of how he had used Ward's name in Paris, because it gave him a sense of importance. He and Ward go to his home in the country and there meet Stella Bergen, a beautiful refugee who is now companion to Philip's mother. Stella is drawn to Ward but turns to Philip when Mrs Monrell must go away for her health and calls on Stella's gratitude to look after her son. Philip and Stella marry. They are happy, but out of sheer perversity he neglects his work as head of the steel mill at Chasingford. His behaviour is extremely erratic and to-day, at the mill, in order to build up his own importance, he has rejected the budget to fix up his workmen's homes.

Chapter Three

THAT EVENING, Stella had mournful news. Her kitten had been found lying in Platt's lane, just behind the steel works. Its neck had been broken.

Unaccountably, Philip became furious when Stella mentioned it to him.

But a while later he came to her, penitent. "I'll make it up to you," he said tenderly. "I'm sorry the kitten is gone. I'll buy you a hundred of them."

Her eyes were sad. "I don't think I'll ever have another. This one meant so much to me."

He was watching her. "Because Ward gave it to you?" She jumped up. "Ward! Ward! Ward! Always Ward! If you can't rid yourself of that idea you'll—"

"I'll go mad," he returned evenly. "Is that what you wanted to say?"

She turned to him seriously. "Philip, I'll tell you something. When I first met Ward, I thought he was charming and perhaps he was interested in me, I don't know. But I married you didn't I?"

He smiled peculiarly. "So he was interested in you. Of course, I knew it all the time."

THAT NIGHT he sent a telegram to Ward. For the next day he went around hugging the secret to his heart. Ward was coming for a visit. Imagine how surprised Stella would be. Maybe she'd faint—betray herself in some way like that.

Instead, her eyes simply widened when Philip led Ward in that evening. He had gone to the station himself to meet him with the car.

At dinner, Philip was all gaiety. He insisted on a toast to Ward and then went into an earnest account of how happy he and Stella were. Ward was really delighted for them. Once, Philip left the room to fetch a bottle of wine from the cellar. When he returned he listened at the door for a moment. Perhaps they were saying something interesting, something about their own feelings. He was a little disappointed, though—Ward

was simply commenting on how marvellous Philip looked. "I noticed it the moment I saw him. He's positively sleek with happiness."

Now Philip came back and the quiet was resumed. Then, after the second bottle of wine, Philip stated his proposition. He wanted Ward to come and work at the factory. Mr Black, his chief engineer, had left and he was offering Ward the position at twice the salary he was getting in Scotland.

Ward was dazed. "I—I hardly know what to say. It's a far better chance than I deserve."

Philip grasped his hand. "Then you accept? That's wonderful." He raised his glass aloft. "May we all still be together ten years from now just as we are to-night. Stella? Ward? To us three."

IT WAS LATE THAT NIGHT and the moon was shining. Philip wrote in his diary, "To-day Ward came. Now we shall see what will happen. Nothing. I hope. But there must be no more of this torturing doubts. I've got to know."

He rose and tiptoed into her room. For a long moment, he stood over her. She was sound asleep, her breast rising and falling with the regularity of her breathing. He nodded and said, painfully, "Now you're dreaming of him. I can see it in your face."

Two mornings later he announced a surprise. He had to leave on a business trip. He wouldn't be gone more than a week at the most and would most certainly wire when he was coming back.

WARD LEFT THE STEEL WORKS early that day and stopped in to have a chat with Stella. The moment he began to speak, she stifled. It was about Mr Black. He had heard why Black had left. What was the matter with Philip? Why did he become so obstinate as a child sometimes? It was unexplainable.

"Stop it, Ward, I won't discuss Philip behind his back."

Ward was amazed. "But Stella, I'm asking you to help me. You're the only one who has any influence over him." She stood there, facing him angrily, and finally he turned to the door. "Well then—there's nothing more for me to say. Goodnight."

But that evening a great wave of contrition came over her. She shouldn't have said that to Ward.

He was Philip's friend. He wouldn't have spoken to her that way unless he had reason. Of course he wanted to help Philip.

At noon the next day, she drove the car down to the steel works and when Ward came into his office she said shyly, "I had to see you. I want to apologise for the way I behaved yesterday." He tried to interrupt and she went on. "I couldn't sleep all night, thinking of the trouble here at the Works. Yes, I know that Philip has caused trouble and it's about the housing scheme, isn't it?"

Ward nodded. "Philip's handling the men the wrong way."

The men, however, weren't going to stand for it. They had always trusted their bosses to give them a square deal. They had worshipped Philip's father. Now Philip had come along and they didn't understand him at all.

"And Stella," Ward concluded, "you've got to talk to him. You must."

She looked away. "All right, I can try. But Ward, I don't think he'll yield an inch." Her eyes filled with tears and she twisted her fingers together.

All at once, Ward let out an ejaculation. "Stella, what a fool I've been. Forgive me. I didn't realise that this is the first time you and Philip have been separated. You're lonely for him. And here I've been discussing his business with you, thinking of your feelings." He got an idea. "I tell you what. You need a good dinner and some of my witty conversation. Very well, know what you're doing? Young lady, you're having dinner at the Inn with me to-night."

BY the time the coffee and liqueurs arrived that evening, they had thoroughly discussed the English cricket situation and Ward was teasing Stella with a highly technical discussion of his new type of annular bearing. He went through the molecular disintegration and the calibration and finally she cried out in laughter.

"Stop! Stop! It's fascinating but I don't understand a word."

She looked up and suddenly she paled.

Ward followed her gaze. "Hello, Philip. Are you back already?"

Philip was well pleased with himself. He had certainly taken Stella by surprise. "Obviously."

He sat down and said lightly. "Sorry I didn't wire. I finished in London much sooner than I expected." He turned to Ward. "Thank you for taking Stella out."

"You don't have to thank me," Ward smiled. "Thank Stella for coming. You know, Philip, we were talking about you to-day—"

Philip seemed amused. "What a depressing subject. Couldn't you think of anything more romantic?"

"Look here Philip," Ward said, "it's about the housing project. I know it's hard for a man in your position to reverse a decision. It takes courage, but believe me, if you do, the men will respect you for it. We all shall."

Philip's voice was thin. "Well, as it happens, I don't want respect. I want obedience. Do you understand?" He smiled. "I think perhaps we'd better drop this discussion. I might get angry."

Stella put her hand on Ward's arm. "Ward. Let's go."

Philip waited until they were at the door. Then he went to the clerk on the desk. "Put Mr Andrews' dinner on my bill please. How much do I owe you?"

"Leaving us already, Mr Monrell?" the clerk asked. He opened his ledger.

Philip adged. He didn't want anyone to overhear the transaction. Stella and Ward must not have the slightest clue that he had been right here at the Inn to-night and not gone to London at all. It had been a fine plan, and it had worked.

So Stella and Ward were now brazen enough to go out publicly on a merry-making spree together. Well, he'd wait and watch for further developments.

(Philip's erratic thinking is concentrated on Stella and Ward. They have become an obsession with him. Can he rid himself of his peculiar jealousy or will he find other circumstances to justify it? Don't miss to-morrow's dramatic instalment.)

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But with sensitive children there are dangers that have to be watched during childhood

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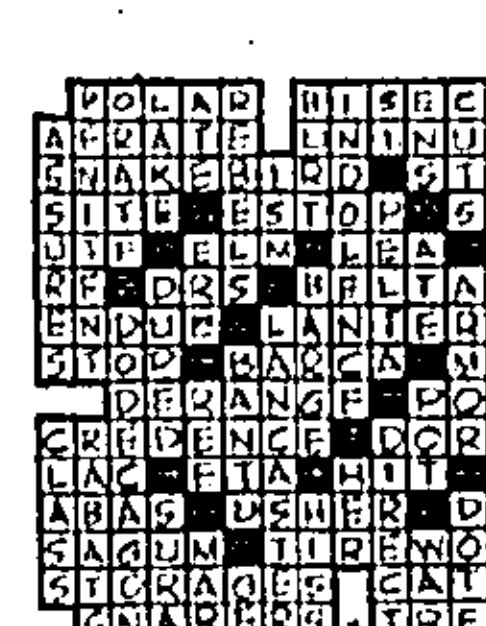


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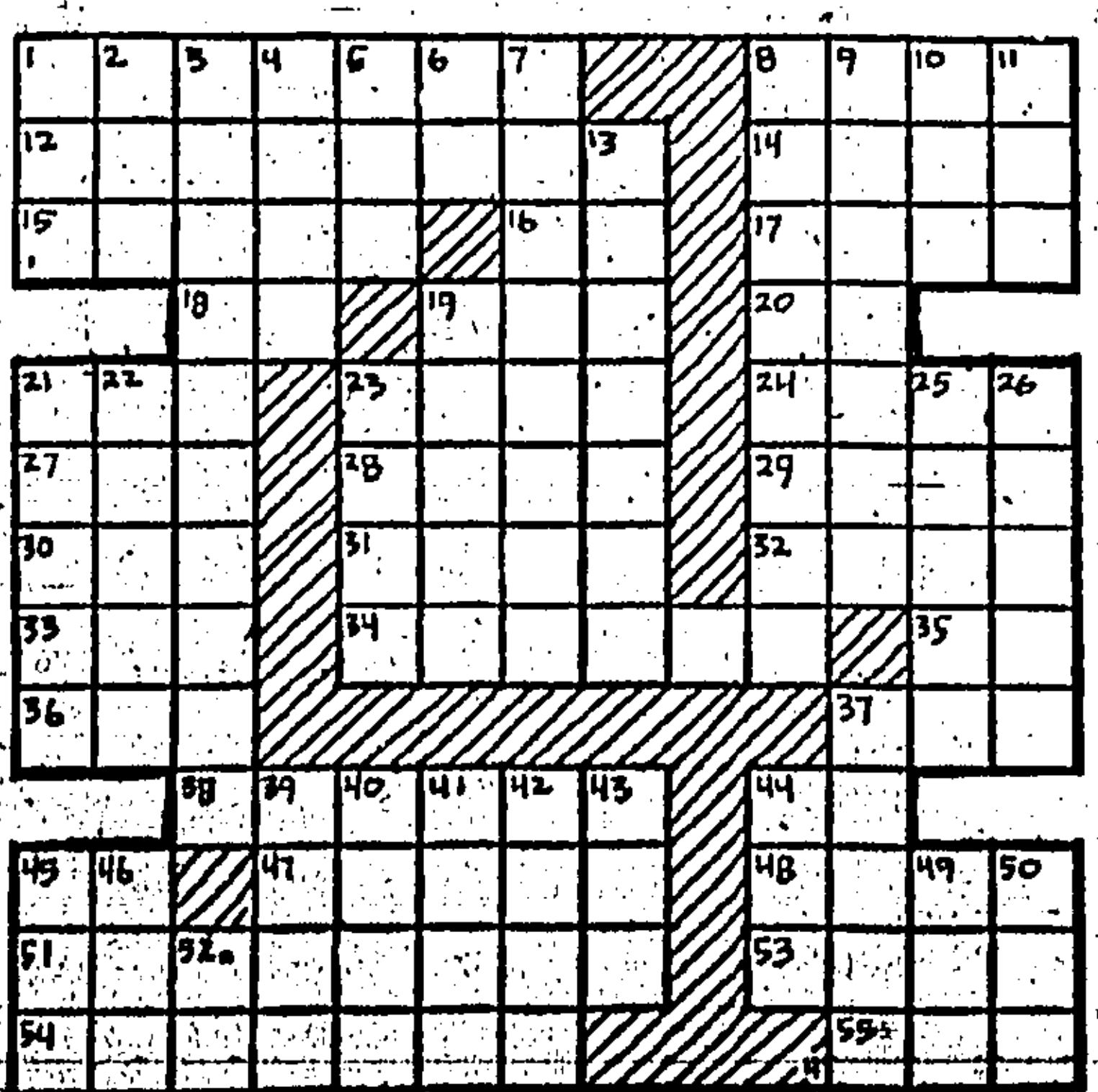
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 - 2-Go by water
 - 3-Thought, logically
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 - 5-Philly
 - 6-Freeze; down
 - 7-Infrequent
 - 8-Calulation
 - 9-Mother Earth
 - 10-Voice murk
 - 11-Hebrew first month
 - 12-Red-billed cuckoo
 - 13-Preliminary bet
 - 14-Dominican
 - 15-Intense (abbr.)
 - 16-Anguish
 - 17-Parent
 - 18-Animal embryo
 - 19-Kind of love
 - 20-Festive
 - 21-Heavenly
 - 22-Troop of Indians
 - 23-And French
 - 24-Combining form: within
 - 25-Very small
 - 26-Hit slightly
 - 27-Common names of countries
 - 28-Three-deck cloth
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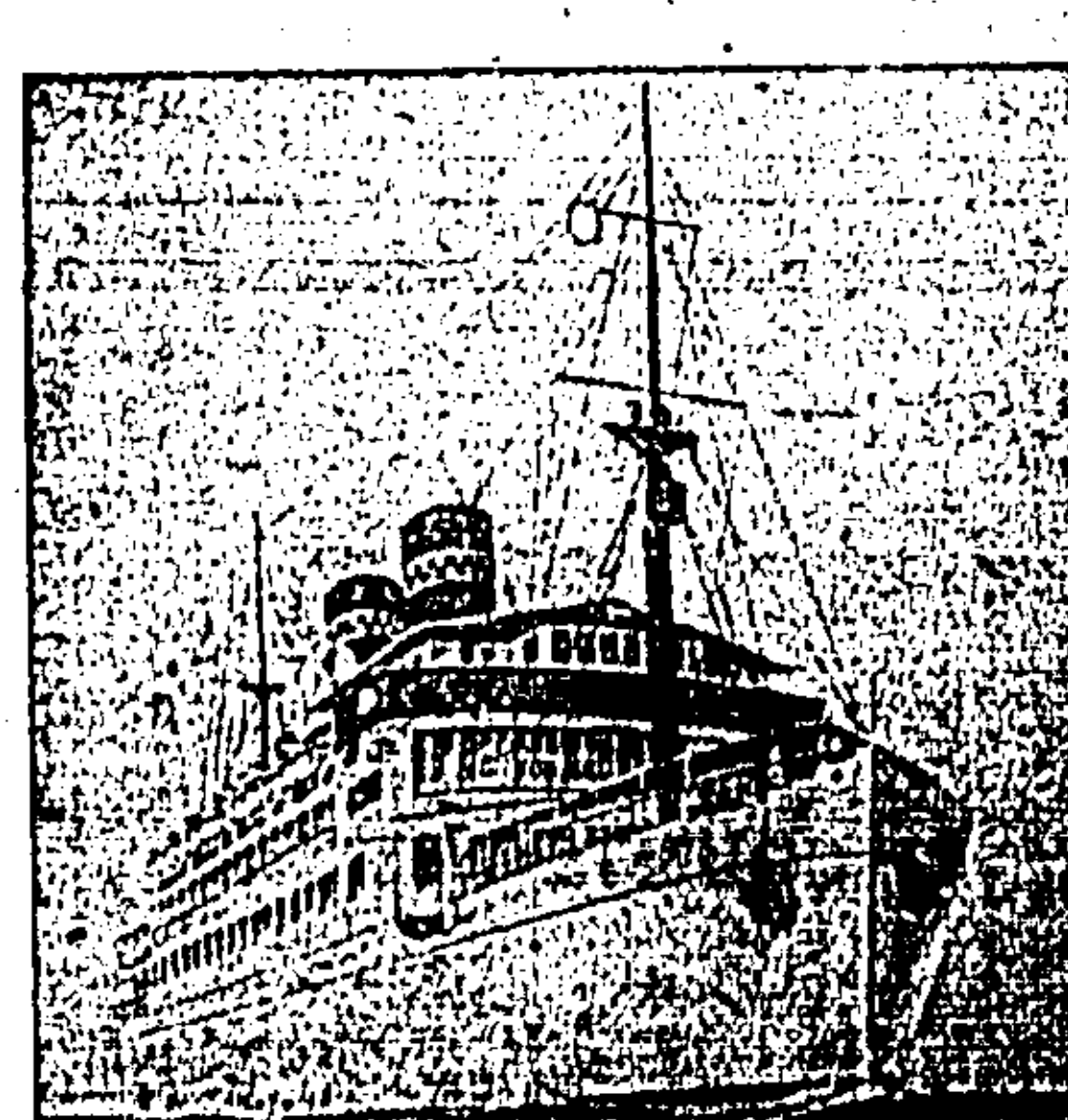
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- 9-Scene of Burgoyne's defeat in C.W.
- 10-Confederate cruiser
- 11-Confession
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- 16-One who has recently retained
- 17-Absyrian reign
- 18-Brawl
- 19-Drinking out
- 20-"Mad Anthony"
- 21-Dog
- 22-Pokette dog
- 23-Where original
- 24-Crime games were held
- 25-Philippine mountain
- 26-Fear of ship
- 27-Man's name
- 28-Ship's captain
- 29-Actual being
- 30-Like



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RUSSIA MAKES CLEAR TO IRAN WHY INVASION BECAME A NECESSITY

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—News of the Soviet and British decision to deal effectively with the danger which the situation in Iran presented to both Powers in their struggle against Germany was announced on the radio in fullest detail to the Soviet people.

It does not come as any surprise to informed observers. The measured terms of the Soviet Note handed to the Iranian Ambassador speak for themselves. They make clear that there is no question of any aggression by the Soviet which is acting entirely in self-defence in sending troops into Iran and bases the action on a clause in the Soviet-Iranian Treaty.

The Iranian Government had been given three separate warnings regarding the attitude which the Soviet Government would be obliged to take in view of the continued activity in Iran of German agents.

Flow of Agents

From the early part of last year, there was a steady flow of these agents through the Balkans and Turkey on their way to Iran and in recent months it had become increasingly clear that these agents have obtained considerable influence through the commercial enterprises they are running or are helping to run.

It is felt here that no such situation could be allowed to brew in Iran as was produced in Iraq.

The Soviet and British decision in the last few days to take the Soviet Note make it very clear that the Soviet Union has no territorial designs on Iran.

The fact that the British and Soviet Governments are acting in concert will be welcomed here as further practical proof of their determination to act jointly in crushing Hitler's plans.

Concessions Made

MOSCOW, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—The Soviet note to the Iranian Ambassador stated that all the privileges extended to Russians on Iranian soil which were humiliating to Iranian sovereignty were abrogated. Various Russian enterprises in Iran were to be handed over to the Iranian Government.

By this the Soviet Government proved to the Iranian people their readiness to assist in the development and prosperity of Iran.

By the Treaty of February 20, 1921, the Soviet Government returned to Iran the islands along the coast of the Caspian Sea and the provinces of Gilan, Mazandaran, and Golestan, and also, railways.

ports and various establishments which were formerly exploited by the Tzarist Government.

Friendly Intentions
Further treaties between the Soviet Government and Iran also give proof of the constant friendly intentions of the U.S.S.R. towards Iran.

During recent years, the Soviet Government took steps to consolidate and develop the economic welfare of Iran. Nevertheless, even in the fundamental treaty of 1921 it had been foreseen that difficulties might arise in view of the possibility that Iranian territory might be exploited by enemy elements against the U.S.S.R. and Iran itself, thus using Iran territory as a base for aggression against the U.S.S.R.

Saboteurs
Agent of German Fascism (Here the Note gives the names of the agent) and the commercial firms by which they are employed) have resorted to the light in their subversive activities in attempting to introduce into the Soviet provinces of Azerbaijan and the oil region of the Bakou province of sabotage and terrorism.

On the other hand their activities were also directed at engineering a military coup in Iran itself. With the arrival in Teheran from Iraq of the Chief of the German Secret Service in Iran, Gannot and his assistant Mayer, and with the close co-operation of the German Embassy at Teheran, armed groups were formed in the frontier region with a view to organising sabotage activities in the Bakou region and other districts.

German agents at various points in Iran territory have established dumps of arms and munitions especially in the northern provinces.

Military Instruction
In the neighbourhood of Minch they had prepared over 50 tons of explosives. In the Teheran district they gave military instruction to German residents to further their criminal intentions.

Fifty-six German secret servicesmen have penetrated into a number of big industrial concerns. Especially dangerous are the activities of the Krupp agent, spy, Arkel.

Von Radonovich, Director of the German firm of Siemens, is another notorious German spy, and likewise his assistant Wolf.

These German agents are trampling on the elementary rights of the Iranians and with complete disregard of Iranian sovereignty are preparing Iranian territory as a base for aggression against the U.S.S.R.

Three Warnings
This situation in Iran constitutes a grave danger and it imposes upon the U.S.S.R. the necessity of taking all measures for their own security—measures which it is not only their right but also their duty to take for their self-defence in strict accordance with the Treaty of 1921.

Since German aggression on the U.S.S.R. the Soviet Government has three given warning to the Iranian Government, June 26, July 19 and August 16, regarding the dangers represented by the subversive and diversionist activities of German agents and spies.

JAPANESE SUCCESS CLAIMED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" SHANGHAI, Aug. 25 (UPI).

Japanese sources to-day said that the Japanese army has surrounded 5,000 Red army troops in the Wushan mountains on the border between Hopei and Shansi, after which they launched an annihilating offensive.

Throughout the week there has been a Japanese offensive in the Chahar, Shansi and Hopei border region against 40,000 Chinese troops in the first major offensive since the appointment of General Yasuji Kakumura as Commander in Chief of the Japanese forces in north China, replacing General Tada.

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PROVIDING SUPPLY LINES Through Iran To Russia

(BY "REUTER'S" MILITARY CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).

The immediate consequences of the British advance through Iran will be to ensure close co-operation between Russia and Britain in an extension of the war front, and one which is geographically not difficult to maintain.

With British controls stretching eastward without saying that a continuous front with the Russians will soon be established in Iran, and so on into the Caucasus—the front which will support and strengthen Turkey against Nazi threats and aggression.

Moreover, behind this new front will lie secure supply lines up the Red Sea and up the Persian Gulf via Baghdad and Mosul to Turkey, and also into the Caucasus and south Russia from Basrah, Bushire and Bandarapuran, through Teheran and Tabriz.

Nazi Intentions

If Iran had been left under Nazi influence, all these supply lines would have been endangered and possibly before long would have been cut.

The Nazi "tourists" and agents who had over-run Iran would have carried out the same function for Hitler's strategy in Russia and against the British Empire as his paratrooper and air-borne troops have managed in other theatres of war.

Their elimination if not their extermination was vital necessity and was one which could no longer be delayed.

These vital lines of supply through the Red Sea and the Persian Gulf lead back to supplies not only from India but also from Australia, the East Indies and right back to both the Americas.

In a word, a direct link will soon be established with the Russian allies, and that material assistance which the Russians require can now be reasonably guaranteed.

House-Breaker, Gaol-Breaker Captured

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Stanley Thurston, the escaped convict known as the "man whom no gaol can hold," was arrested in London to-day after 152 days' liberty.

He had no identity card, no ration book and no gas mask.

Thurston, who is 31 years of age, escaped from the grim high-walled prison of Dartmoor on March 25. He was serving a sentence of five years' penal servitude and five years' preventive detention passed in August 1930 for house-breaking, larceny and being a habitual criminal.

Dartmoor is the fifth prison from which he has escaped.

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HITLERIAN STRATEGY IN EAST

From Caucasus To Iran

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Hitler's strategy in the east is no secret, involving as it does a drive through the Caucasus to Iran through Afghanistan and then on to India, it is declared in London.

It is held that Nazi preparation for the occupation of Iran is identical with that of all other countries earmarked for German development.

It is known that at the German Legation at Teheran the Iranian capital, there is installed the usual corps of so-called attaches and experts who are immensely busy—this time with the task of shoring up the industrialisation of an essentially agricultural country.

Iran was also the refuge of Raschid Ali following the ill-fated Iraqi revolt and although he has now left Iran, another dangerous personality remains: the Mufti of Jerusalem—who has been provoker of Palestine strife—also travelled to Teheran and still finds sanctuary there.

Baku Oil Fields

Iran was selected by Hitler as a country which could be exploited. The provinces would be of immense strategic value in preparing an advance into the rich Bakou oil fields and later his armies would benefit from the groundwork accomplished by resident Nazi-Iranian representatives in any drive on India.

This is the background of Iran, whose 15,000,000 people live in an area, three times the size of France, in a country whose climate is arid or semi-arid and whose mountain ranges and deserts form its main defence.

Iran has in the past been conquered from the west, east and south, and in those times the invaders were not as desperate as are to-day's Nazis for Iran's 60,000,000 barrels of oil which her wells produce annually.

Development by the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company of the country's oil resources has to-day made it the No. 3 oil-producer in the world.

Doughty Fighters

Although the Persians are doughty fighters they have to-day little but their traditional courage with which to oppose any panzer drive. The Iranian Army is around 100,000 strong and has an air force of about 200 planes, mostly of an antiquated design. There are at least one dozen air-bases established and the country is in general suitable for the construction of landing grounds.

Iran's navy concentrates on carrying out patrols in the Persian Gulf.

Lying as it does midway between the Soviet Union and India, Iran has become the centre of conjecture in which only one thing is certain—the Germans' determination to exploit Iran's strategic situation and her great natural resources.

Successful Espionage

German agents in Iran have been generously supplied with Reichsbank gold and their tasks of espionage and corruption have met with some success. There has been extensive Nazi infiltration and there is sound reason for assuming that their activities have met with considerable success amongst the officers and ranks of the Iranian Army. This is an achievement which has gratified Hitler.

Iran, whose development in the last 20 years has been almost entirely due to British aid, as the bulk of her revenue comes from the percentage payment on her oil production, has been given every opportunity to rid herself of German infiltration but has failed to do so.

JAPANESE REACTIONS TO SPEECH

Churchill's Accusations Rejected

TOKYO, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Although obviously it is not announced yet, authoritative Japanese sources here have rejected Mr Churchill's accusations saying, "Menacing whom? Japan is not menacing anybody. Japan has not menaced anything."

The official Japanese reaction is not likely to be received at least until the text of the message is fully received. It has been reported only sketchily so far.

Mr Churchill's references to the depredations of the Japanese military faction are labelled, "Just another attempt to disintegrate Japanese unity which is wholly impossible." Japan's actions are said to be based upon a solidly based national policy.

To Alienate Thailand

TOKYO, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Mr Churchill's speech is designed to alienate Thailand from Japan says the "Kokumin Shimbun". The early morning papers generally follow the first reaction.

Mr Churchill is "devoid of time and sense because the China conflict preceded the European war and therefore Japan cannot be imitating Hitler," the "Kokumin Shimbun" adds.

The China reconstruction and the co-operative Indo-China advance was agreed upon freely and peacefully by Vichy whereas it is Britain who is bearing pressure on South Asia, adds the paper.

Official circles deny knowledge of the Japanese-American base negotiations which are hinted at by Mr Churchill although reports from Admiral Nomura, Japanese Ambassador to Washington, have not been received recently.

Mr Hull Silent

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25 (UPI).—At the press conference to-day Mr Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, declined to comment directly upon Mr Churchill's remarks regarding Japanese-United States negotiations, but said that informal talks are proceeding which do not change the 1937 agreement when it was announced that the United States insisted on the respect of treaties and the maintenance of international law by peaceful methods instead of forceful treaty revisions.

He said that last Saturday's talk with Admiral Nomura, the Japanese Ambassador, was typical of the method under which the negotiations are being conducted.

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High Cost Of Living

More Evidence Given

Another meeting of the High Cost of Living Committee was held in the Chambers of Mr Justice P. E. F. Cresswell, the Chairman, at the Supreme Court yesterday when the following members of the Government Service gave evidence:—Mr Tam Kan-wai, and Mr Chan Tso-ching both of the Labour Office; Mr Ho Chok-nam, Import and Export Works Department; Mr Chau Tai, Fire Brigade; Nurse A. Leacock, Medical Department; Inspectors Jen Yu and Wong Kim, Hongkong Police; and two police constables, one from the Welhaven contingent, and one Cantonese.

After evidence had been given, the Committee adjourned until next Thursday, when they will meet to consider the report.

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Hongkong All-Stars Two Up

"Dat old apple" again took a long distance swerve-banging ride over the week-end in the triple carded post season baseball games when emphasis on high-scoring platter jaunts greeted hardy ball fans at the Chatham Road stadium. Old man weather crossed up with a typical atmospheric contrast when perfect baseball weather of the "pay day" tilt changed to slight sizzling rains for the Sabbath doubleheader.

Mightiest of the might last season, Portugal's rough riders, international champions, took a lightning tumble from their lofty perch as the United States charged through to the final round with a classy 12-2 win. China entered the selected bracket overwhelming a "sign on anybody" Great Britain nine 18-3. It was just about the poorest showing of any team that has ever represented Great Britain in the annual International Series.

HONGKONG'S All-Stars made it two up in the Charity series classics, eking out an 18-16 victory over the United States Navy in a heated tippy-turvy fray.

CROONER Ruel's masterful hurling effort had class marked all around it in neon-lit sparks as he vanquished Portugal's defending champions 12-2 with a starry speedball show. The "singing twirler" had the Portuguese nine literally eating out of his hands, allowing a measly two hits and whiffing five.

Answer To Problem

The umpire was a diplomat but he would have been a wiser one if he had claimed he was watching the ball instead of the runner so did not see him out second base. If he had made the correct decision the game probably would have ended in a riot.

The proper play was for the second baseman to ask the umpire in chief to put another ball in play, then claim the out at second by holding the new ball on that base. That would have retired the side with the batsman getting credit for only a one base hit. The final score depended entirely on whether or not the runner who was on first base reached the home plate before the man who hit the ball passed second, as his act of cutting that base made the third out, so far as the scoring of runs would not be actually declared until claimed. Presumably the runner from first did not score in time and that would make the game end 6 to 5 in favour of the visitors. Hence the riot forecast.

The United States Stars burst across the pan with winning tallies in every stanza except the second, connecting for six extra base clouts in the rout of the champions.

Starting in with a vengeance in the opening frame after Wee Willie Wilson had filed to centre, Ski Fowlmaw laid a sizzling double to deep left. Crooner Ruel hoisted for the second out, but Tony Muscavage singled and two runs breezed home on Mao McKenzie's long double to the centrefield fence. Chuck Waggoner popped to second, ending the initial inning threat.

Portuguese fans saw a temporary sparkle of hope in the 2nd canto, with the Gosano clan in predominance, after Zinho Gosano was thrown out on a close play. Bertie Gosano took first on Greasy Moore's wild peg, advanced to second and went to third on another Moore miscue. Eddie Gosano's single through the box drove in Bertie with Portugal's first tally, but the Doc was caught stretching toward second. Hetty Mike

SCORING FOR HONGKONG



H. (Showboat) Ali sliding home in the U.S. Navy v. Hongkong All-Stars Charity match at Chatham Road on Sunday. Wally Ching, on deck, with Doc Molthen umpiring. Tony Muscavage, the catcher, on all fours.—Ming Yuen.

Weekend Stars

Wee Willie Wilson and Crooner Ruel, United States—Former led the Yankee clouting attack with a tremendous homer and three singles, drove in three runs and crossed the plate with three more; the "Crooner" hurled masterful ball despite a bad ankle injury, holding Portugal to two measly bingles and whiffing five.

Wally Ching and Hank Chang, All-Stars—Former checked in with four tallies in the close Hongkong win and bore down in the clutch with steady relief twirling; latter fielded brilliantly on a shaky infield, chalked up three runs in the high-scoring game and drove in another.

Bill Chang and Al Lau, China—Former led China's slugging attack, slamming out four bingles and crossing the plate with three runs in the big Chinese win; "Specs" Al hurled three hit ball, fanned five and also added a big gusto to the attack with a double and two singles, scored two runs and drove in three more.

Hongkong Beat Macao At Mini-Soccer

THE HONGKONG Interport miniature football team, led by Mr. Ko Cheuk-hung, sailed for Macao on Sunday to beat the Macao team 2-1 in an encounter at Arela Peta.

On arrival, they were met by representatives of the Macao Miniature Football Association and members of the home team, and were entertained at a tea party.

Later in the afternoon, the teams met, and after a very interesting game, Hongkong won by two goals to one. The scorers for Hongkong were Lai Chung-yin and Chan Charik-lai.

H.E. the Governor of Macao (Comdr. Teixeira) and the Commissioner of Police of the Portuguese Colony were among the large number of spectators.

The Hongkong team returned yesterday.

U.S. Ryder Cup Team Beaten

DETROIT, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Bobby Jones' team, in a challenge match, has beaten the United States 1939 Ryder Cup team 8½-6½.

The foursomes played yesterday and on Saturday resulted in a 3-2 lead for the Ryder Cup team. Ten singles were played to-day in which the Ryder Cup players were beaten 5½-4½.

Shanghai Swimming Championships Under Way

Hekking Wins 220 Freestyle Title

SHANGHAI, Aug. 16.—Bobby Hekking was crowned Shanghai Champion at the A.S.F. pool yesterday, when he triumphed in a close 220 yards race, edging out strong competition in T. Chie, being clocked at 2:37, his fastest time in a 220 race to date.

Meanwhile, the other favourites came through in their respective championship events to receive their crowns. Alec Grebenshikoff beat Jackie Dodd in the 100 yards Men's Breaststroke, while Miss Doreen Gray won the 50 yards Ladies' Breaststroke, and Miss Jill Pech the 50 yards Ladies' backstroke.

Helped by a fine start, Hekking took an early lead in the eight-lap 220 race. Chie however soon caught up and the two left the other swimmers, Wen and Stephen, behind.

Fighting neck and neck to the finish, Hekking and Chie raised tension to a breaking point. Although both slowed down on the seventh lap, they showed new life in a spurt on the last lap. Hekking edged a little ahead, but Chie kept coming up strongly.

Smart Move Wins Race

As the A.S.F. pool is measured out in metres, the swimmers had to turn after the eighth lap and swim a yard back, to complete exactly the 220 mark.

Here Hekking displayed a smart piece of fast thinking, which gave him the race by the slim margin of a half a yard.

Touching the end of the pool with one hand, and instead of turning completely around, Hekking simply slapped his other hand back, thus touching the finish rope and winning the race, while Chie was still taking the turn.

Wen came in a few seconds after Chie to beat Stephen.

Dodd Leads All Way

JACKIE DODD gave a big scare to Alec Grebenshikoff, when he took a lead of a couple of yards and kept ahead for three laps of the 100 yards breast-stroke event.

It was only on the last lap that he was overtaken by Grebenshikoff.

Dodd, using a butterfly stroke, finished the third lap a yard ahead of Grebenshikoff, but lost a few valuable seconds on the turn.

The Russian swimmer, with powerful strokes, overtook him and finished some two yards ahead of him.

The time of the race was not particularly good, Grebenshikoff being timed at 76½ seconds, this being ten seconds slower than the standing Shanghai record.

Miss Gray Wins Easily

MISS DOREEN GRAY had things her own way in the Ladies' Breaststroke as she encountered little competition.

She jumped into an early lead and increased it continuously. On her second lap she was already five yards ahead, and finished an easy first.

The battle was, as predicted, for the second place. Miss Resek and Miss Dodd fought all the way, with Miss Resek finishing ahead by a single stroke.

The time of the race was 40 seconds flat, a second slower than the Shanghai record of Miss Gray.

Miss Peach Loses Time

MISS PEACH lost a good chance to beat her backstroke record, when she delayed her turn for the 50 yards backstroke, for some full three seconds, finishing her race in 39 4/5 seconds, a second and a half slower than her record.

Miss Peach took an immediate lead and kept it all along. While losing the available ground on the turn, she nevertheless kept up her advantage and won the race easily.

Miss Lelia Hekking challenged her towards end of the race, but the spurt was too late and Miss Hekking had to be content with her second place.

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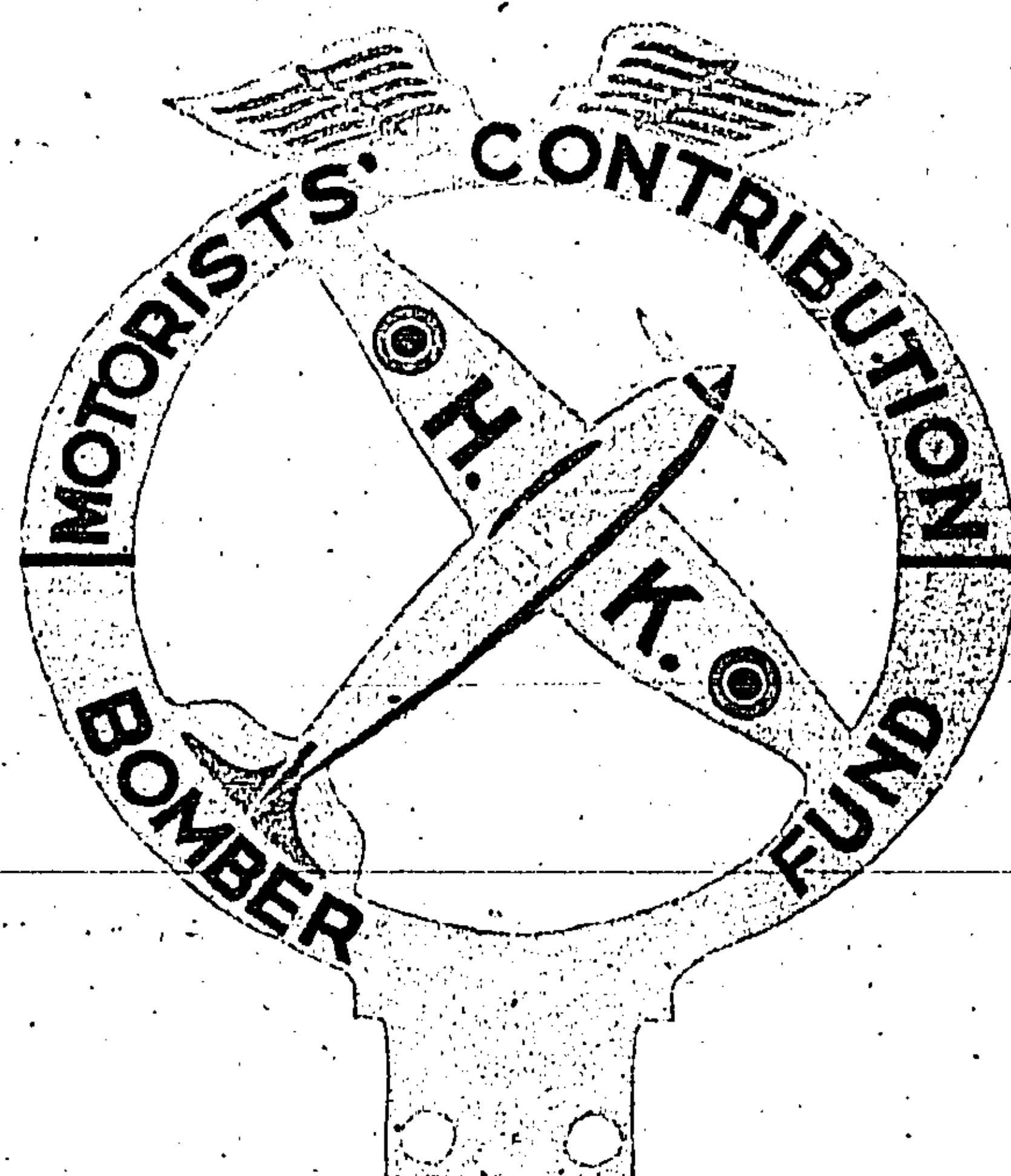
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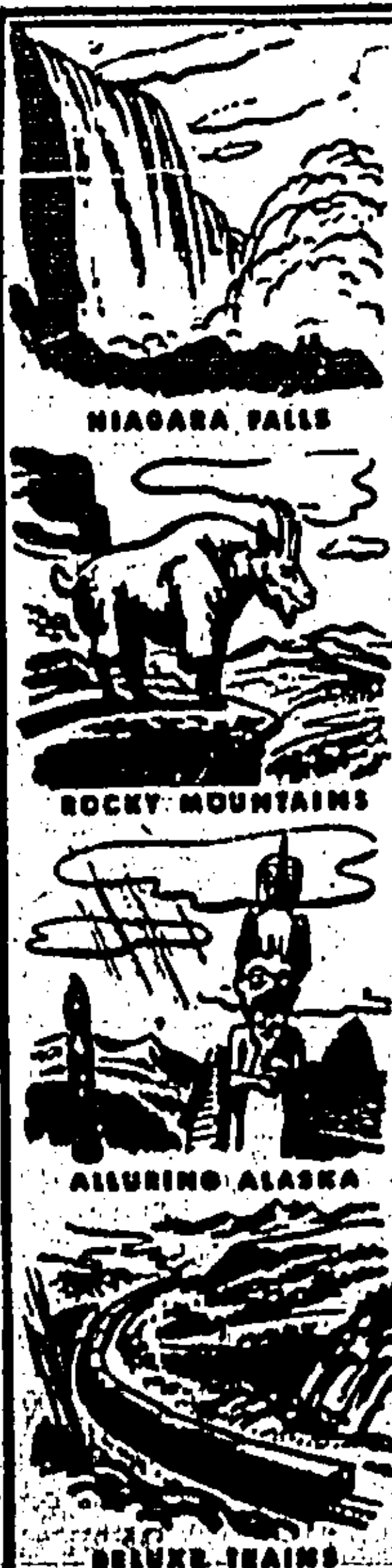
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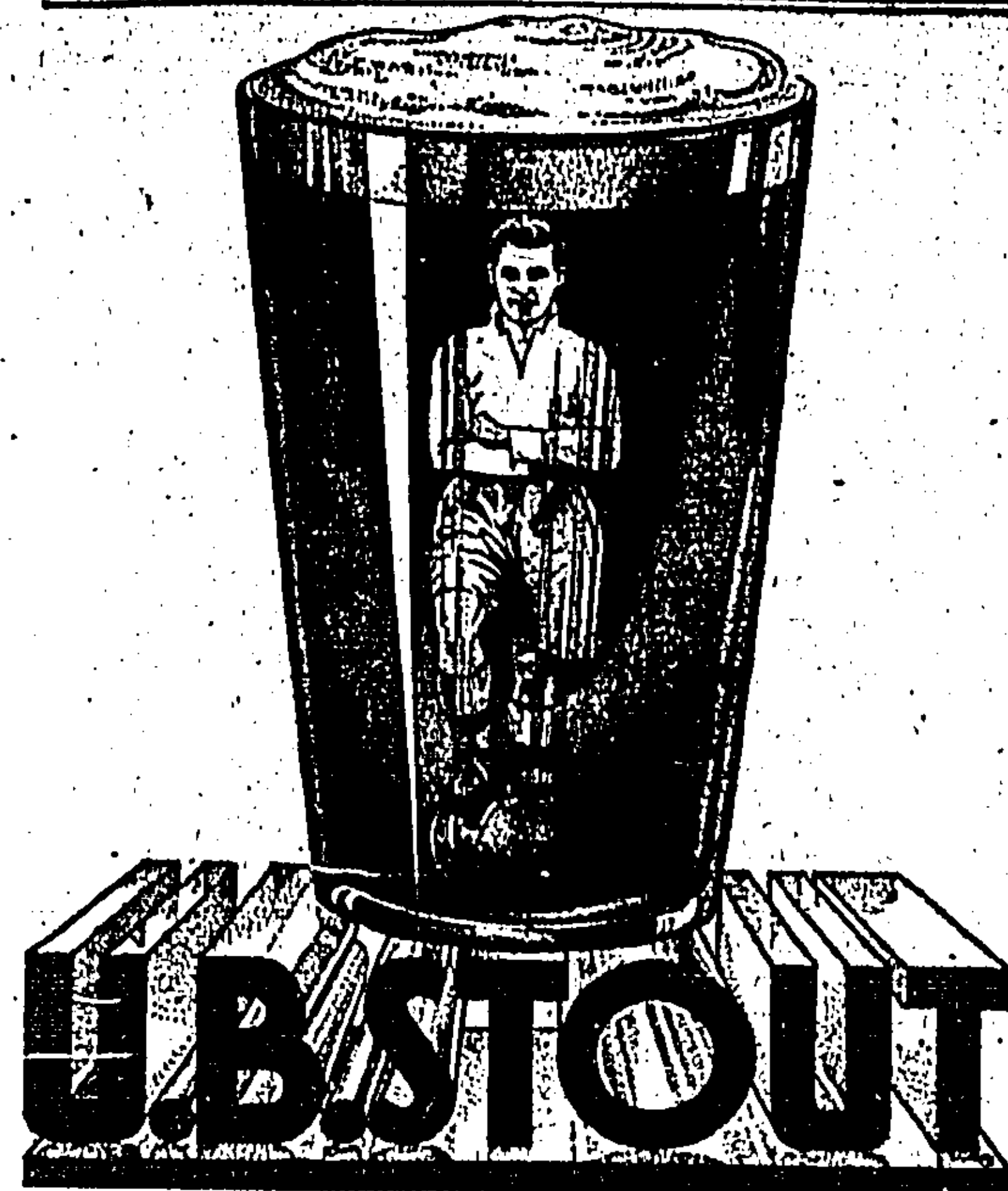
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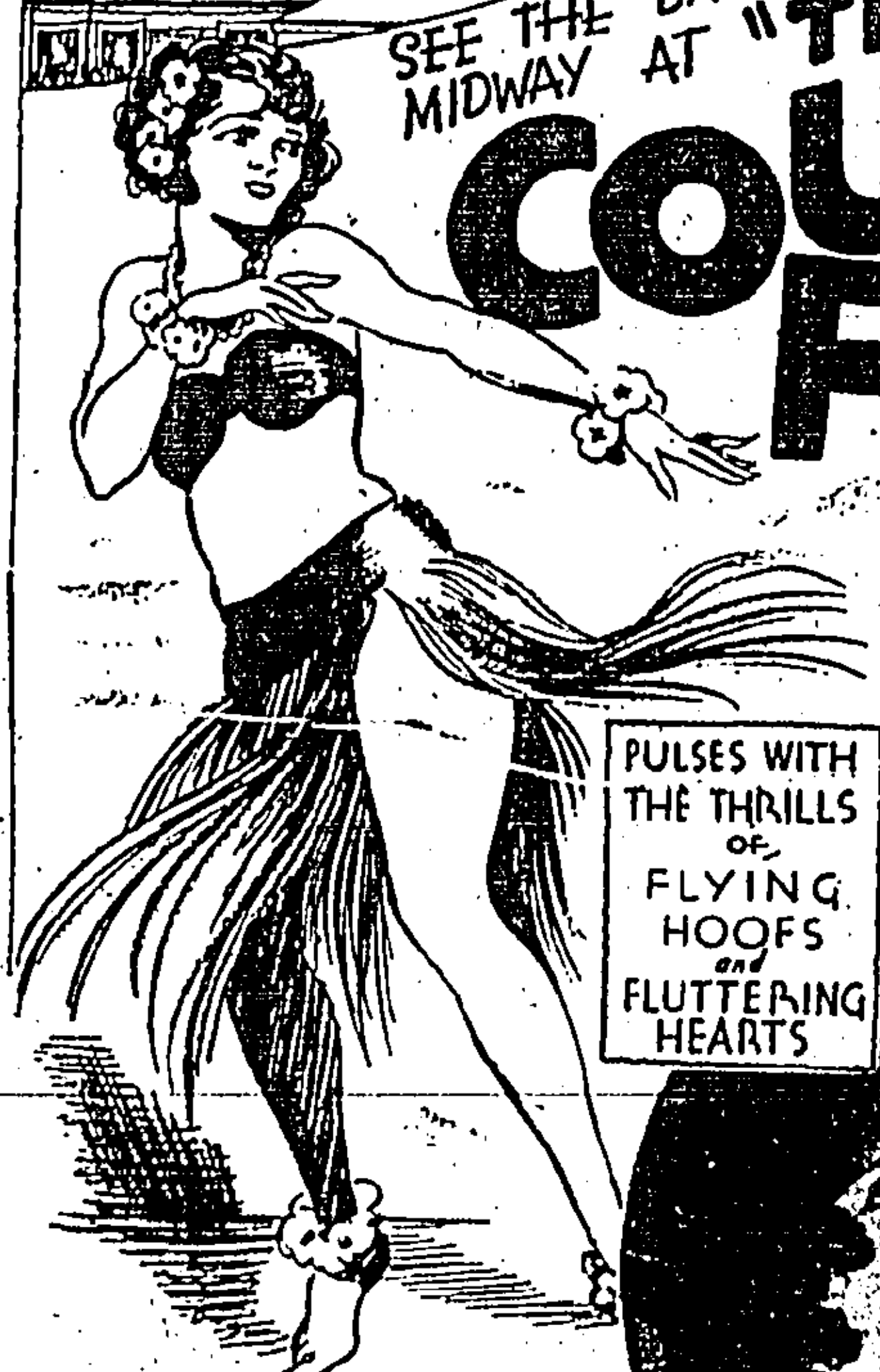
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Large Convoy Under Fire Off Cadiz

Seven Ships Lost

LISBON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Fifteen merchant ships which are understood to be part of a convoy of 25 ships attacked by enemy aircraft and submarines off Cadiz on Friday while en route to Gibraltar from Britain, have arrived in the Tagus.

According to the Lisbon newspaper "Diario de Noticias" seven merchantmen were sunk in the night following the attack while warships escorting the convoy were damaged. The ships of the convoy which escaped a tenacious pursuit saved the greater part of the crews of the ships that were lost.

The vessels which arrived in the Tagus include the Switzerland 1,291 tons, Lanuhrone 1,221 tons, Palwing, Meta 1,575 tons, Spero 3,619 tons, Cervantes 1,810 tons, Libro 1,006 tons, Petrel 1,354 tons, Starling 1,329 tons, Empire Stream, Lyminge 2,490 tons and Grelhead 4,274 tons.

One Corvette Sunk

LISBON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Seven ships totalling 10,000 tons were lost from a British convoy attacked off the Spanish coast last week. One corvette was the only vessel lost by the escort.

These figures compare with the German claim to have sunk 25 ships and also to have destroyed two other warships.

Heavy Toll of U-Boats

LONDON, Aug. 25 (British Wire- less).—Shipbuilding programmes embarked upon since the beginning of the war have resulted in a great increase in Britain's convoy escorts. It is known that heavy toll has been levied upon U-boats.

United States occupation of Iceland and the establishment of zones patrolled by United States warships have also helped to curb the activity of enemy submarines. The Russians claim the destruction of 13 submarines up to August 15 in all theatres of war.

Big Robbery In Shanghai

CHUNGKING, Aug. 25 (Central News).—One of the biggest robberies in Shanghai involving the loss of over \$420,000 took place in the Chu Hsing Silver-smiths in Due du Consulat in the French Concession, according to a Shanghai dispatch.

Eight or nine robbers broke into the shop by the back door shortly after six o'clock in the morning. They cut the telephone and alarm bell wires, bound and gagged all salesmen, numbering between 20 and 30 and forced the younger brother of the proprietor to hand over the key of the safe.

They took from the safe ten gold bars, over 100 gold and silver rings, over 100 gold bracelets, ear-rings, and other ornaments, weighing totally 450 ounces and valued at more than \$420,000, and escaped in a motor car.

A reward has been offered for the arrest of the robbers.

TOBRUK UNDER FIRE & BOMBING

CAIRO, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—British patrols at Tobruk are active despite continued enemy artillery and mortar fire, states a communique from the British G.H.Q.

One dive-bombing attack during the day did only minor damage. In the frontier area there was intermittent artillery fire and some patrol activity.

BOMBAY, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Indian press approvingly features Mr Winston Churchill's broadcast, assuring the world of the ultimate triumph of the defenders of freedom and his warning to Japan.

Champions Routed By U.S.A.

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in the "give all" series against the U.S. Navy.

With the 18-10 score sounding more like a tight basketball thriller, the lead see-sawed from one side to another, producing a grand exhibition of how baseball should not be played.

The Navy nine pounded hapless Bill Clark, in his first mound appearance of the year, for seven solid blows and crashed across the platter with nine solid runs in two-thirds of the initial stanza before the local masterminds finally sent the veteran to the showers. It certainly was a sweet piece of "dumb-dora" baseball sense on the part of the local brain wave and should be chalked up as a big boner for the "believe it or not" baseball riddles.

In the relief role, silent Wally Ching came through with a steady twirling effort to mark up his second Charity Series win.

Going into the 5th canto on the short end of a 12-10 score, the Colony All-Stars crashed through with a seven run scoring spree on two hits and five bad misuses to clinch the old ball game right then and there. Navy pitcher Hank Rucl was yanked after filling the bases, but P. F. Choy worked Siki Fowlows for a walk to force in the first run in this big merry-go-round inning. Gerry Gosano sent a Texas Leaguer to centre driving in Wally Ching and George Sousa with two more tallies. Choy crossed the pan on an error and Gerry Gosano rumped home when Nip Lum laid down a bunt along the first base line. Hank All's sacrifice brought in the last two runs to give the All-Stars a five run lead.

The U.S. Navy garnered four tallies in the last of the 6th after the Hongkongites had marked up a lone run on Bill Chang's sacrifice which drove in Wally Ching with the All-Stars' last tally of the game.

Down two runs in the last frame, the American Navy men filled the bases after Cronck and Willie Wilson had filed out. Big Mac McKenzie strode up to the platter with the hero-tag in the making, but with an easy pop to shortstop Sousa sent out the well-known "that's all" sign, giving Hongkong their second straight in this classic series.

GREAT Britain's depleted ball tossers took the fast way out of the championship scrap when they virtually handed their first round fray to China 18-3.

Another last minute contract deal was put over on the benches of the withering bleachers, when George White, Johnny Fisher, Sandy Sandberg and Binning were signed on for the lone game; no uniforms nor ball cleats were included in the contract.

Chinese pitcher Al Lau merely breezed them over the plate, limiting the Brits to three scattered blows and whiffing five for his first International Series win. The Cathaymen went to town in the 1st frame, riding across the pan with three runs on two hits and an error. Warming up with a single marker in the 3rd, China's colour bearers thundered through with a nine run blazing barrage which just about made the British give up the losing fight.

Walford's gang called it a day in the first of the 6th canto when a slight drizzle poured over the ball yard after four more Chinese tallies crossed the rubber pan.

BAD WEATHER RESTRICTS R.A.F.

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Operations by British bombers were still restricted by bad weather on Sunday night, states the Air Ministry. Communications and industrial objectives at Dusseldorf were sharply attacked. Three bombers are missing. Aircraft of the Coastal Command were missing from patrol over the North Sea on Sunday morning.

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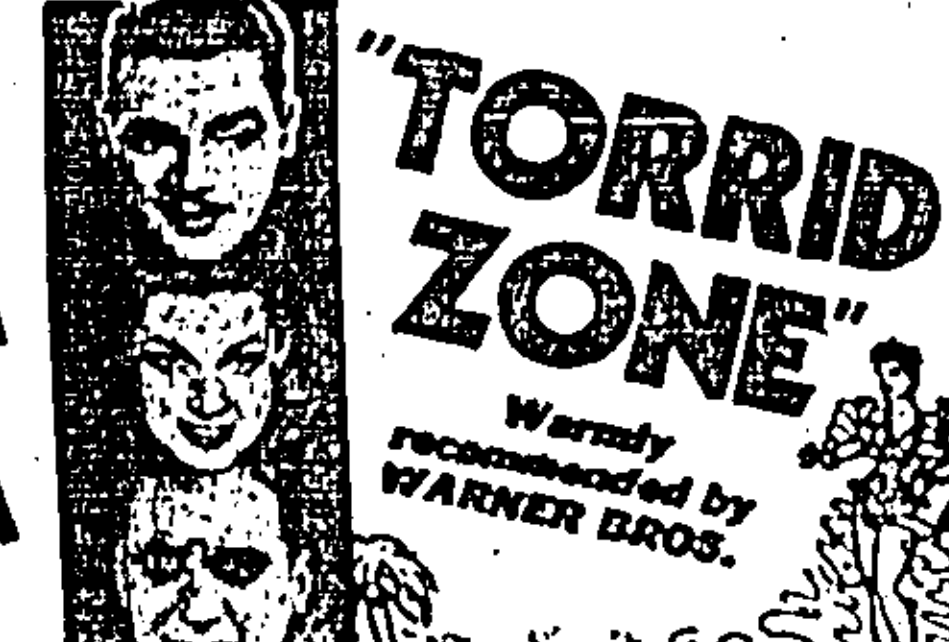
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Several hits on a 5,000 ton vessel loaded with Soviet troops which quickly began sinking.

Finnish Fighting

HELSINKI, Aug. 25 (UP).—The Hufvudstadsbladet reports that German and Finnish troops on the Salla front captured the town of Lanki Tuppi Jaervi and are continuing their drive against the Murransalmi railroad. Kiehlavä is only 50 kilometers from the railroad. The newspaper states that the Germans on the central Salla front have still not crossed the old frontier but are now holding positions around Alakott and the Tula River.

Thrust Toward Dnieper-Petrovsk

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—MOSCOW, Aug. 25 (UP).—It was officially stated in Moscow that the German armies to-day continued their thrust in the direction of Dnieper-Petrovsk where it is situated on the gigantic dam which serves the industrial and agricultural centres of the Ukraine while the German pressure of Leningrad in the directions of Kholm and Novgorod continued unabated.

To-day's communique reported a combat by partisans in the occupied regions of the Leningrad district. The Germans posted sentinels of local peasants along every kilometre of communications. The latter joined the Russian guerrillas whereafter the Germans shot the first eight peasants and seized and burned two villages.

According to a London report, Radio Berlin to-night announced that Dnieper-Petrovsk is already within the range of the advancing Germans.

Nazi Claims Unconfirmed

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—There is still no confirmation in London that the Germans have broken through the Dnieper and the main part of the fighting thus remains west of the river. While circumstantial evidence shows that the Dnieper-Petrovsk Dam has been blown up, no official statement has been received to that effect from the Russian Government. Fighting continues to be intense on the Leningrad front but there has been no marked move. In the Smolensk-Gomel area, it is known that the Russians are counter-attacking but no details have reached London.

Laconic Communiques

MILITARY COMMENTARY BY "ANNALIST"—LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Both the Russian and German communiques are exceedingly laconic and add nothing to our knowledge of the situation on the eastern front. The Russian communique speaks of severe fighting at Kholm, Novgorod and Dnieper-Petrovsk while the German communique says that operations are proceeding satisfactorily according to plan. It would seem, therefore, that neither side has any special claim to record and that no further German advance has been scored in the Leningrad sector.

Counter-Offensive

Independent information suggests that Marshal Timoshenko's counter-offensive is gathering momentum east of Kiev and may relieve the German pressure in the Dnieper bend where the famous industrial centre of Dnieper-Petrovsk is mentioned for the first time. There is, however, no suggestion that the Germans have anywhere been able to establish themselves on the east bank of the river. Russian admission that the Russian bridge-heads are under attack suggests that Marshal Budennyi is still in comfortable control of the river and that the Russian garrison in Odessa is proving a nasty thorn in the German flank.

Reinforcements

The most important development, however, is taking place in the region of the Caucasus, where British and Russian forces are likely to establish a junction very soon. The effect of this opening and the expeditionary route for supplies and reinforcements should have an appreciable result on the operations in southern Russia. The possibilities of early R.A.F. collaboration must not be overlooked.

Budennyi's Army Free

(BY "REUTERS'S" SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)—MOSCOW, Aug. 25.—German insistence on the fact that the Russians were holding Dnieper bridgeheads was a clear indication that the Russians were methodically withdrawing and that the German Marshal Budennyi's army or a large part of it or gain control of any crossings of the lower Dnieper.

There is strong reason to believe that mention of Dnieper-Petrovsk in to-day's communique refers to a successful Russian rear-guard action.

Use of Ukraine

The question arises what good to the Germans are the occupied parts of the Ukraine. They must reckon with the passive resistance of the peasants and further the long run Ukraine with its almost completely unworked agriculture will be quite useless unless the Germans are able to provide vast quantities of petrol which obviously they cannot. The plight of the peasants under the Nazis is grievous and a lot of them will not manage to survive for a time with clandestine stocks.

Rain And Mud

An important thing has happened which, if it continues, may have an enormous effect in slowing up German operations on all or many parts of the front. It is the entry into the war of Russia's allies—rain and mud. It has been raining heavily for the last 24 hours and roads other than the not very numerous main roads have become bogged. The movements of tanks across the country are unlikely for the present, either on the soft soil of the Ukraine or in the marshy country around Leningrad.

Indian Premiers Desert Viceroy's Call To Defence

BOMBAY, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—The Working Committee of the All-India Muslim League has unanimously passed a resolution calling on the three Premiers, Sir Sikander Hyat Khan, Fazlul Huq and Sir Mohamed Abdullah Khan, to resign from the National Defence Council.

Sir Sikander and Sir Mohamed have expressed their willingness to resign but Mr Huq has asked for time. He has been given ten days to resign, failing which the President of the League (Mr M. A. Jinnah) is authorised to deal with the matter. It is stated that as Sir Sikander and Sir Mohamed have decided to resign, the question of disciplinary action against them does not arise. It is added that falling receipt of a satisfactory reply from Mr Fazlul Huq within the time allowed, the Committee has authorised Mr Jinnah to take such action as he may deem proper and necessary.

Sir Sikander is Premier of the Punjab; Mr Fazlul Huq, Bengal; and Sir Mohamed of Assam. They were recently appointed to the National Defence Council by the Viceroy.

Belligerent Commentary

Japanese Writer Wants Sea Closed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—TOKYO, Aug. 25 (UP).—Mr Tetsu Muto, military commentator of the "Hochi Shimbun" to-day demanded that the Japanese Government close the Sea of Japan Straits to foreign shipping in retaliation for the United States closure of the Panama Canal. "These northern gates of Japan are more important to Japan than the Panama Canal is to America," he declared. "Can the Japanese people merely look on as American ships are carrying Russian aid supplies, particularly aviation gasoline which is now calling towards Vladivostok?"

British Encounter Resistance In Iran

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Iran except under licence as from August 26.

ROME, Aug. 25 (UP).—The afternoon newspapers published a dispatch from Ankara which says that fifteen Soviet divisions are massed on the Soviet-Turkish border, and estimating that thirty Soviet divisions are entering Iran.

Military Objectives

(BY "REUTERS'S" DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT)—LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—British military efforts must be directed towards two main ends: safeguarding the Iranian oil fields and keeping open the line of communications with Soviet Russia in the Caucasus.

Two obvious lines of advance are thus indicated, one being from Mosul and Baghdad towards Ur and Tabriz, and the other from Basra to guard the oil fields.

It is possible that troops from Baluchistan may advance across the southern boundaries of Iran to complete the occupation and convince the Persian Army of its small, badly equipped resistance. They have not constituted an actual menace in themselves but have been a potential source of trouble and real interference with the Allied war effort owing to the presence of several hundred Nazi agents and fifth columnists. This has been the great danger.

The fact of a common front on Turkey's eastern frontier will be a further source of strength to the Turkish Government who are thus assured of Allied backing on all its Asiatic land frontiers.

Agents A "Pretext"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—After conferring with Under-Secretary of State Mr Sumner Welles, the Iranian Minister told reporters to-day that there were no German agents in Iran, and Russian allegations to the contrary were "only a pretext" for invasion.

Trade Delegates From Iceland

On Visit To Washington

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—WASHINGTON, Aug. 25 (UP).—A trade delegation arrived here from Iceland to-day and stated that they would negotiate financial and commercial questions.

Such arrangements conform to the agreement under which the United States assumed protection and promised to further Iceland's interests in every possible way.

The delegation expressed confidence in favourable results, not only in solving Iceland's urgent needs but also in finding a lasting basis for improved financial relations.

The White House to-day announced the removal of travel restrictions under which newspapermen, photographers and radio men have hitherto been prevented from going to Iceland.

Nazi Consulate Closed

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—It is announced in Berlin that the German Consulate in Cuba has been closed.

TOWNS BOMBED, ALLEGATION

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from the small number of German troops.

"Most Regrettable"

"With a view to calming Britain and Russia, the Iranian Government took special steps to reduce the number of German troops in the country and did their best to satisfy the British and Soviet Governments. It is most regrettable that despite all the efforts of the Iranian Government to preserve peace, the British and Soviet representatives, instead of discussing matters in a peaceful, understanding way, arrived at my house at 4 a.m. to-day with a threatening memorandum.

"According to reports reaching me, it appears that British and Soviet forces had crossed the border even before the representatives arrived at my house. British forces have attacked ships in Iranian ports and British planes and guns have already bombed and shelled some Iranian towns. The Iranian authorities have taken all necessary measures to meet the situation."

Iranian Policy

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—The Iranian Government declare that it has been their policy to ask all those foreigners to leave the country who have no special employment and whose presence there is unnecessary, besides those whose positions can be filled by Iranians.

They add that this policy is being carried out with greater care and speed as the result of the British Government's representations. Furthermore, the entry into the country, residence and movement of foreigners are controlled, there was no cause for anxiety since nothing had occurred to justify it.

Turkey Said Displeased

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ing alongside the Russians in the defence of Baku.

Iranian quarters said that according to their information, there is no indication here that the Germans are planning to invade Iran, although some Turkish observers think it has likely been suggested that Germans and Italians might launch an attack from the air, thus relieving the pressure on Iran.

Official Notification

LONDON, Aug. 25 (UP).—It is authoritatively reported that Britain has notified Turkey, Egypt, Iraq, Saudi Arabia and Afghanistan of the entry of British troops into Iran and the reasons therefor.

The notification included the assurances that Britain will do nothing to damage the interests of Iran and her neighbours; moreover, Britain and Russia informed Turkey that they have no designs on Iran's political independence or territorial integrity.

Soviet Note

LONDON, Aug. 25 (UP).—Radio Moscow announced that this morning M. Molotov, the Foreign Minister, handed a note to the Iranian Minister reviewing the relationship between Soviet Russia and Iran since 1918 when Soviet Russia concluded the first treaty of friendship with Iran.

The announcement stated that the Soviets moved into Iran on the basis of the Russo-Iran treaty of February 26, 1921 in which Soviet troops are allowed to march in if Iran was used as a base for the preparation of hostile action by a third Power. The note warned that the Soviet forces would withdraw "immediately when this danger has passed."

Reaction of Egypt

CAIRO, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Great excitement prevailed in Cairo as news gradually spread of the joint Anglo-Russian military action in Iran.

It was felt that it was the first step towards strengthening the weak link in the chain of Middle East countries.

King Farouk's sister is married to the son of the Shah of Iran; otherwise there is little in the way of cultural relations between the two countries which, because they belong to opposing Moslem sects, are sharply divided on religious ground.

Unfettered observers consider that the operations in Iran are likely to take two forms—firstly, linking of British and Russian forces by the shortest cut and secondly, a drive to the north from Basra.

Relief At Decision

CAIRO, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—News of the advance into Iran caused great relief throughout the countries of the Middle East Command who have been highly conscious of this weak link in the great front which now stretches from West Africa to Singapore.

It is still not known whether the Iranian forces intend to offer resistance but it is thought here that if resistance is offered, it will not be on as large a scale as, say, in Syria.

The Iranian Army is believed to number about 10 divisions, said to be well-trained but lacking modern equipment. It is reported that their Air Force is only 10 modern aircraft while there are said to be even fewer tanks, of German make.

There is a possibility that the Germans may try to send reinforcements by air, but the fact that Russian is acting in co-operation with Britain will make this most difficult.

The advance from Iraq should lead to a rapid linking up of the British and Russian troops. This step towards the creation of a front stretching from Murransalm southwards to the Middle East, from Cairo to Basra, will form a great arc on Germany's east, barring her road.

Biddle Is A. G.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt has nominated Mr. Francis Biddle, the Solicitor General, to be Attorney-General of the United States.

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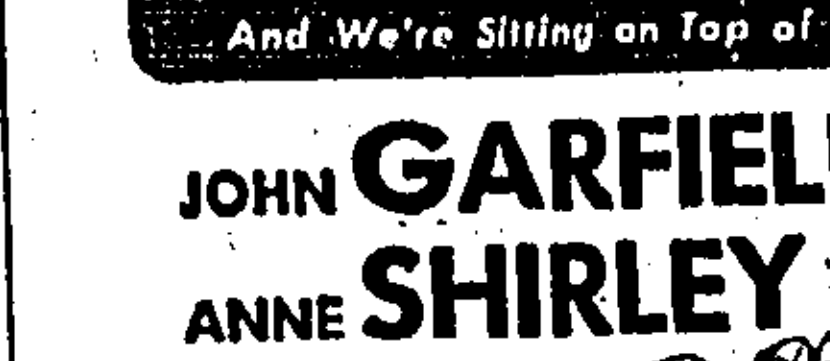


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TONS OF BOMBS ON TRIPOLI

Big Operations By The R.A.F.

CAIRO, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—British bombers are still busy in the Middle East. A large force of R.A.F. heavy bombers dropped nearly 20 tons of bombs on docks and supply and petrol dumps at Tripoli during the night of August 23-24, says an R.A.F. communiqué.

Many direct hits were obtained and more than 30 large fires were started, one so big that it was visible 135 miles away.

After the bomb attack, British aircraft machine-gunned objectives in the harbour area and the aerodrome at Mellaha. The attack was carried out from a very low altitude.

Shipping Hit.—During the night, other aircraft bombed enemy encampments in Sollum, Badia and Gambut areas. Medium bombers attacked two enemy schooners and an escort vessel in the Gulf of Sirte. One schooner and the escort vessel were sunk, and the other schooner was left apparently sinking.

R.A.F. fighters in the Mediterranean on Sunday intercepted a number of German dive-bombers which attempted to attack British shipping and shot down one into the sea.

Photos show that a merchant ship attacked by bombers at Tripoli on the night of August 21-22 was sunk. All British aircraft returned safely from all these operations.

Nearly 8 Ins. Of Rain In 33 Hours

Between midnight on Sunday up to 9 o'clock this morning, the rainfall in Hongkong totalled 7.65 inches.

During the 23 hours ending at 11 o'clock last night the rainfall was 3.54 inches, but this was well exceeded during the subsequent ten hours, no less than 4.32 inches being recorded.

The heaviest downfall during the night was between 3.30 and 4.30 this morning when .65 of an inch of rain was registered.

TITLEBAUM CASE

SHANGHAI, Aug. 26 (International).—U.S. Court Commissioner, Mr. Nelson E. Lurton, is appointed temporary judge to try the Sam Titlebaum case in the absence of Judge Milton J. Helmick, who is on leave. Titlebaum, who was deputy U.S. Marshal, is spending the third week in goal on a charge of embezzlement of guns belonging to the court.

Hughes Approves Churchill Speech

SYDNEY, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—The Australian Minister for the Navy, Mr. W. M. Hughes, described Mr. Winston Churchill's broadcast as "a clarion call inspiring the British people to iron resolve to conquer."

Mr. Hughes said that the Premier's declaration of policy towards Russia would be received with loud acclaim throughout the Empire.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Notice is hereby given that on account of furlough the Power of Attorney issued to Leon Henry George Frost, District Accountant at Hongkong for The Texas Company (China) Ltd. at Hongkong has been cancelled and recalled.

Similar Power of Attorney has been issued to Edgar Harold Fondlason who has been appointed District Accountant at Hongkong to succeed Leon Henry George Frost.

THE TEXAS COMPANY (CHINA) LTD.

BY P. F. LEFEVRE,

Managing Director.

Hongkong, August 25th, 1941.

NOTICE

EVACUATION REPRESENTATION COMMITTEE

A public meeting will be held on Thursday, August 28, at 6 p.m. in the Rose Room, Peninsula Hotel, for all husbands and relatives of evacuees and others who are interested.

(Sgd.) W. V. TAYLOR, Acting Hon. Secretary, Evacuation Representation Committee.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Interim Dividend of \$-.60 per share has been declared in respect of the half year ended 30th June, 1941, on 900,000 OLD SHARES and will be payable on and after Thursday, 11th September, 1941. Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Registered Office, P. & O. Building.

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Hongkong, 5th August, 1941.

THAI CABINET CHANGES

Premier Gives Up Two Portfolios

BANGKOK, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Luang Biplu Songgram, Premier of Thailand, who used to hold the portfolios of Defence, Foreign Affairs and the Interior and who recently divested himself of the Defence Ministry, has appointed two independent Ministers of Foreign Affairs and the Interior.

Nai Direk Chinnam, formerly Deputy Foreign Minister, is appointed Foreign Minister and Luang Chavensakdi, formerly Deputy Minister of the Interior, becomes Minister of the Interior, states "Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent here.

It will be recalled that Major Luang Kowit Aphaiwong was appointed a Minister on August 10.

The "United Press" version is as follows:—Luang Songgram to-day authorised Luang Aduldet Churus, Director General of the Police Department and Deputy Minister of the Interior, to act for him as Premier as well as the other positions which the Premier now holds. The authorisation adds: "In order to aid in the Premier's duties and to facilitate the execution of national affairs when the Premier is indisposed to perform his official functions."

Mr. V. C. Labrum of the Ye Olde Printers, has reported the loss of 15 numbering machines, valued \$500 yesterday, from the premises.

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Japanese Blockade Is Feared in Shanghai

Special to the "Telegraph"

SHANGHAI, Aug. 25 (UP).—Foreigners are becoming increasingly worried by the Japanese construction of wire barricades around the entire International Settlement and French Concession fearing the possibility of a repetition of the 1939 blockade of Tientsin.

Japanese military authorities claim that the barricades are designed for closer check on the Chinese who cross the settlement boundaries in order to halt the recent wave of terrorism.

It is recalled that one Japanese civilian was killed and another wounded last week, also that several pro-Nanking and pro-Chungking followers were also killed.

The Japanese have constructed approximately 25 miles of barbed wire barricades around the International Settlement and have barricaded the highways to permit single lane traffic only.

Some informed circles anticipate that in the event of a worsening of the Pacific situation, the Japanese might blockade Shanghai, cutting off shortages, food hoarding, the price of rice to-day rose to 130 Yuan per picul which is beyond the reach of the average Chinese, wherefore the majority are dependent upon the importation of vegetables from the interior.

The attacks on the Japanese in the Japanese-controlled Yangtze area in nine days resulted in four Chinese gunmen shooting and killing Shinkichi Kusakabe and seriously wounding Mokichi Sudo, both civilian employees of the Japanese army.

Japanese reports said that the gunmen surprised the two Japanese in the dark on a corner of Chuafoong Road near a Japanese army post, after which they escaped. The Japanese again launched a wide-spread man-hunt closing all bridges leading into the Japanese-controlled area north of Soochow Creek area.

Strict Control.—SHANGHAI, Aug. 26 (UP).—It is understood that the Japanese have begun the strictest control of civilian passage between the International Settlement and the Japanese army controlled areas of Hunjiao and Slicawei by throwing up barbed wire barricades around the Settlement and permitting entry over only two main roads.

The Japanese said that foreigners will not be molested and that the precautions are taken due to increasing terrorism.

Chinese gunmen in the Yangtze-poo area last night killed Shinkichi Kusakabe and seriously wounded Mokichi Sudo, both civilian employees of the Japanese army. The third attack on the Japanese in the past nine days.

Meanwhile, it is reported that the more radical elements of the Japanese army are demanding a blockade of the Settlement while the navy is refusing to permit it.

A floating mine was reported drifting at the southern end of Kap Sing Island Pao at 6 p.m. yesterday, according to the coxswain of the ferry launch Man Keung.

Indian Premiers Desert Viceroy's Call To Defence

BOMBAY, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—The Working Committee of the All-India Muslim League has unanimously passed a resolution calling on the three Premiers, Sir Sikander Hyat Khan, Fazlul Huq and Sir Mohamed Abdullah Khan, to resign from the National Defence Council.

Sir Sikander and Sir Mohamed have expressed their willingness to resign but Mr Huq has asked for time.

He has been given ten days to resign, failing which the President of the League (Mr M. A. Jinnah) is authorised to deal with the matter. It is stated that Sir Sikander and Sir Mohamed have decided to resign, the question of disciplinary action against them does not arise. It is added that failing receipt of a satisfactory reply from Mr Fazlul Huq within the time allowed, the committee has authorised Mr Jinnah to take such action as he may deem proper and necessary.

Sir Sikander is Premier of the Punjab; Mr Fazlul Huq of Bengal; and Sir Mohamed of Assam. They were recently appointed to the National Defence Council by the Viceroy.

Big Robbery In Shanghai

CHUNGKING, Aug. 25 (Central News).—One of the biggest robberies in Shanghai involving the loss of over \$420,000 took place in the Chu Hsing Silver-smiths in Due du Consulat in the French Concession, according to a Shanghai dispatch.

Eight or nine robbers broke into the shop by the back door shortly after six o'clock in the morning. They cut the telephone and alarm bell wires, bound and gagged all salesmen, numbering between 20 and 30 and forced the younger brother of the proprietor to hand over the key of the safe.

They took from the safe ten gold bars, over 100 gold and silver rings, over 100 gold bracelets, earrings, and other ornaments, weighing totally 450 ounces and valued at more than \$420,000, and escaped in a motor car.

A reward has been offered for the arrest of the robbers.

Turkey Said Displeased With Allied Action.

Special to the "Telegraph"

ANKARA, Aug. 25 (UP).—The British Ambassador Sir Hugh Knatchbull Huggessen and the Soviet Ambassador M. Vinogradov had conferences with the Foreign Minister, M. Sarajoglu which lasted throughout the morning.

The only formal political bonds between Turkey and Iran is the Sanadabab treaty, with Iran as a third member which, however, has no military clauses.

Turkish public opinion is distinctly displeased with the Anglo-Russian action. The Turkish press is expressing sympathy for Iran and describes the Shah as being in many ways similar to Turkey's Ataturk.

Brief Campaign Expected.—British sources express confidence that the campaign will be brief. It is aimed at creating direct communication lines with the Soviet army so that if the Germans reach the Caucasus they will find the British fighting alongside the Russians in the defence of Baku.

Iranian quarters said that according to their information, there is no indication here that the Germans are planning to aid Iran, although some Turkish observers think it has likely been suggested that Germans and Italians might launch an attack from the air, thus relieving the pressure on Iran.

Official Notification.—LONDON, Aug. 25 (UP).—It is authoritatively reported that Britain has notified Turkey, Egypt, Iraq, Saudi Arabia and Afghanistan of the entry of British troops into Iran and the reasons therefor.

The notification included the assurance that Britain will do nothing to damage the interests of Iran and her neighbours; moreover, Britain and Russia informed Turkey that they have no designs on Iran's political independence or territorial integrity.

Soviet Note.—LONDON, Aug. 25 (UP).—Radio Moscow announced this morning that M. Molotov, the Foreign Commissar, handed a note to the Iranian Minister reviewing the relationship between Soviet Russia and Iran since 1910 when Soviet Russia concluded the first treaty of friendship with Iran.

The announcement stated that the Soviets moved into Iran on the basis of the Russo-Iran treaty of February 20, 1921, in which Soviet troops are allowed to march in if Iran was used as a base for the preparation of hostile action by a third Power. The note promised that the Soviet forces

"Bill Vetoed By Roosevelt

Makes Wheat Available

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25

(UP).—President Roosevelt today vetoed a bill under which the stocks of Government owned wheat and cotton would have been withheld from domestic markets, asserting that it was "contrary to sound Governmental policy which for a long time had been in the best interests of both farmers and consumers."

The veto affected 6,100,000 bales of Government cotton and 100,000,000 bushels of wheat. The bill was designed to prevent the Government from competing with the wheat and cotton farmers by selling the Government-owned stocks in the open market, and would have permitted the exportation of the stocks or allowed the Government to draw from them under the Lend and Lease conditions or for domestic relief purposes.

Shah Is A Recluse

Depends On Advisers

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—The Persians are apt to look inward and not outward, writes the former Chief British Commissioner in Trans-Caucasia.

This reflects too, the outlook of the present dynasty. The Shah has hardly ever gone beyond the confines of Iran and during the last 20 years has become more and more unapproachable.

For his knowledge of foreign affairs, therefore, the Shah has had to depend entirely upon advice and some of this may not have been altogether disinterested.

For years, Iran and to a lesser degree Iraq has been a hotbed of German intrigue directed against India and the whole of the Middle East.

Belligerent Commentary

Japanese Writer Wants Sea Closed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Aug. 25 (UP).—Mr. Tetsuichi Muto, military commentator of the "Hochi Shimbun" to-day demanded that the Japanese Government close the Tsuru Soga Straits to foreign shipping in retaliation for the United States closure of the Panama Canal.

"These northern gates of Japan are more important to Japan than the Panama Canal is to America," he declared. "Close the Tsuru Soga Straits to foreign shipping in retaliation for the United States closure of the Panama Canal."

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Further Sabotage Of Paris Railways

Special to the "Telegraph"

VICHY, Aug. 25 (UP).—The railway sabotage which was announced by Conte De Brion, Vichy Ambassador to Paris, continued to-day with two serious accidents in the Paris suburbs; firstly, outside Montparnasse station where four cars of a German train were derailed after bolts had been removed from a double length of rails; and, secondly, at Poissy near St Germain where a wrecked French train lay across the main tracks inside the station blocking traffic for 36 hours.

In the first case, the Germans arrested a truck repair crew and in the second they arrested the engineer and fireman.

The Paris morning newspapers report that Conte De Brion, receiving American correspondents in Paris on Saturday, stated that the "Government" and the German occupation authorities are equally determined to pitilessly repress acts of sabotage endangering human lives, particularly workers. The sabotage attacks appear to be organised by people having special technical training. De Brion declared that there had been five acts of sabotage in the vicinity of Paris during the past fortnight, all against the railways.

Hundreds of Incidents.—LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Hundreds of cases of Communist sabotage against railways have been reported, according to Conte De Brion, the Vichy envoy to Paris, in an interview with American journalists at Lyons Radio.

French Hostages.—BERLIN, Aug. 25 (UP).—The "Pariser Zeitung" of last Saturday carried a decree in which all Frenchmen who have been arrested by or on behalf of the German authorities will be considered as hostages from Saturday onwards because a German soldier was murdered in Paris last Thursday.

The decree warns that "a more or less greater number of these hostages will be shot if any other incident occurs. The penalty will depend upon the nature of the crime."

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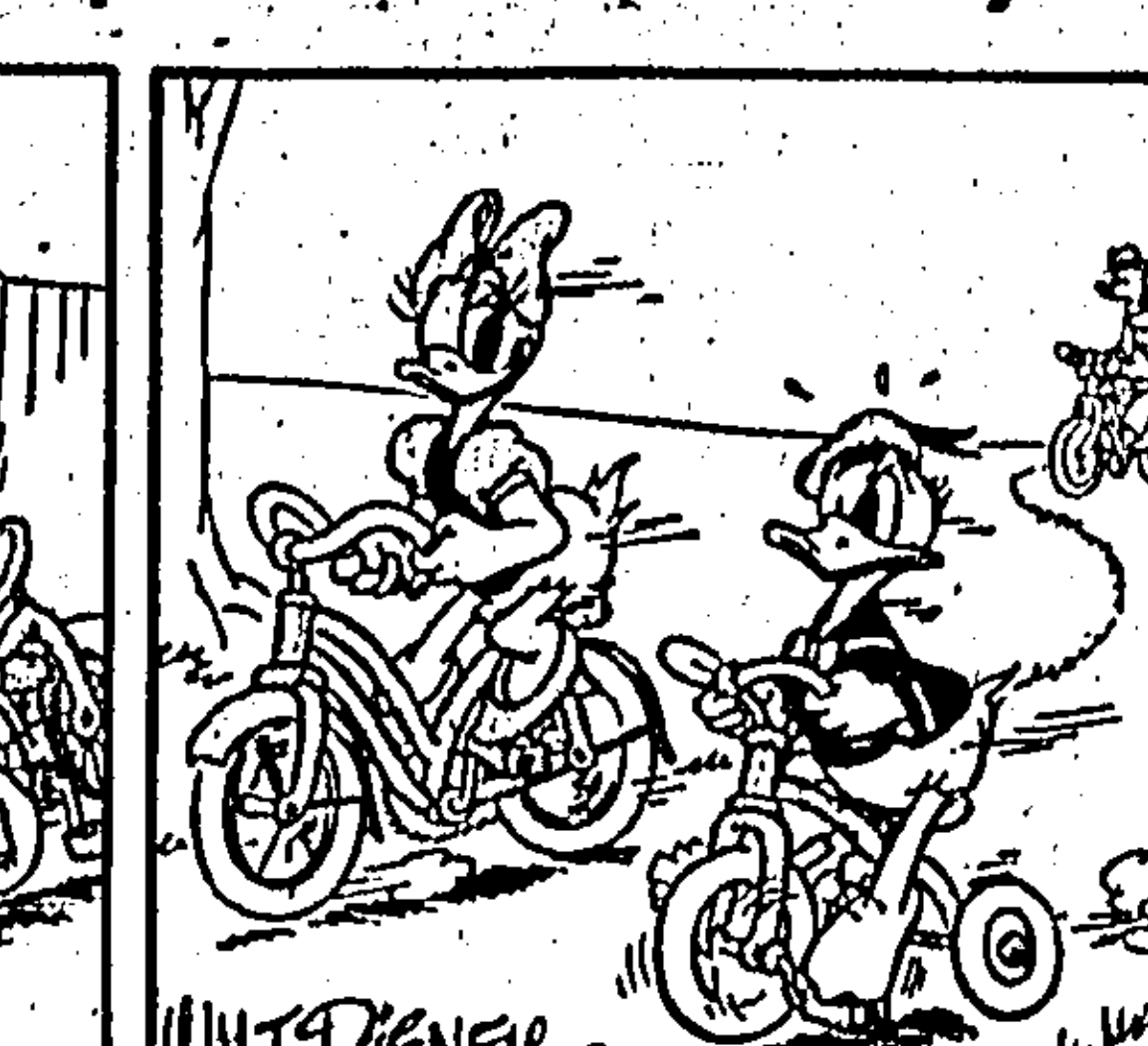
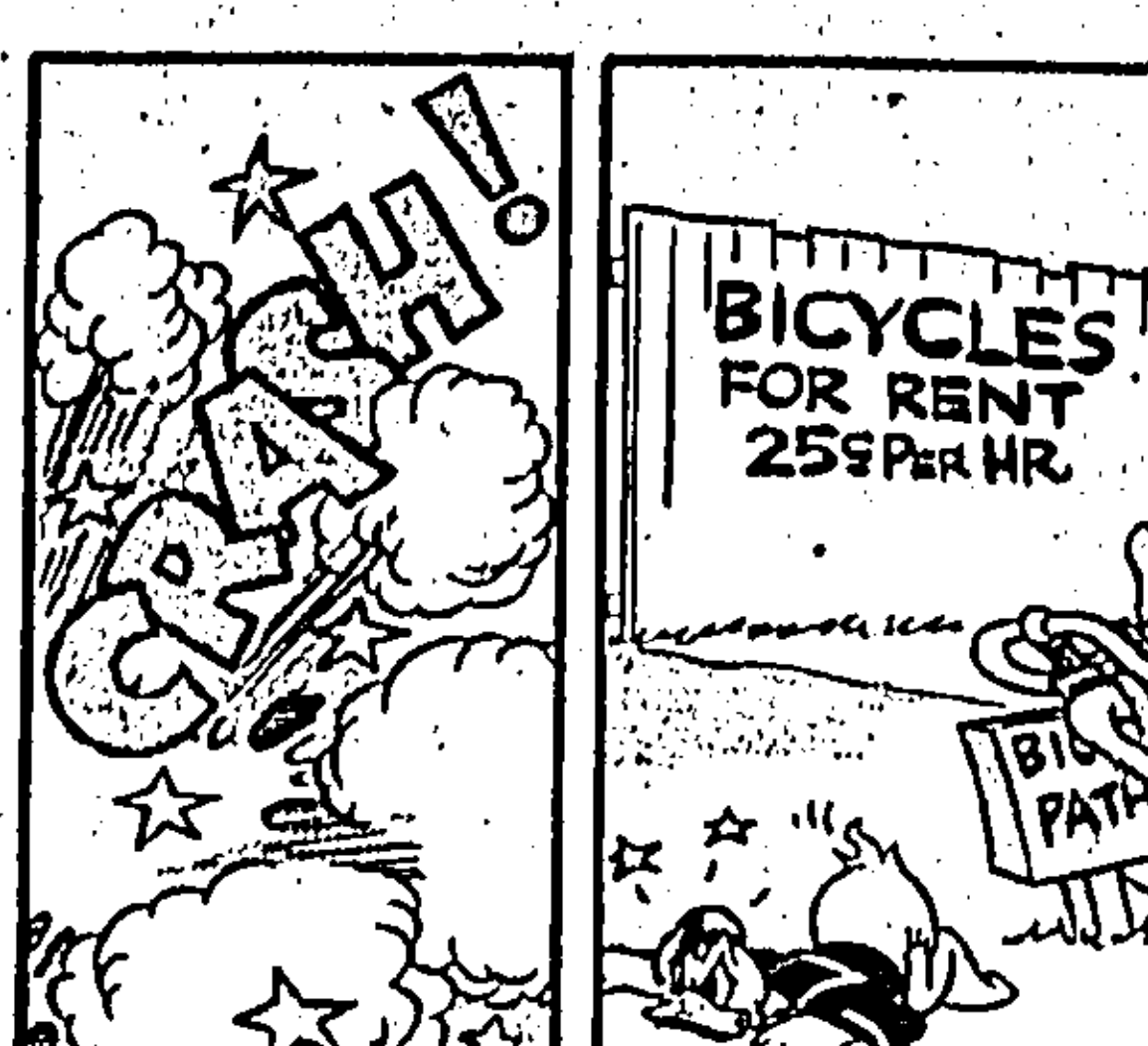
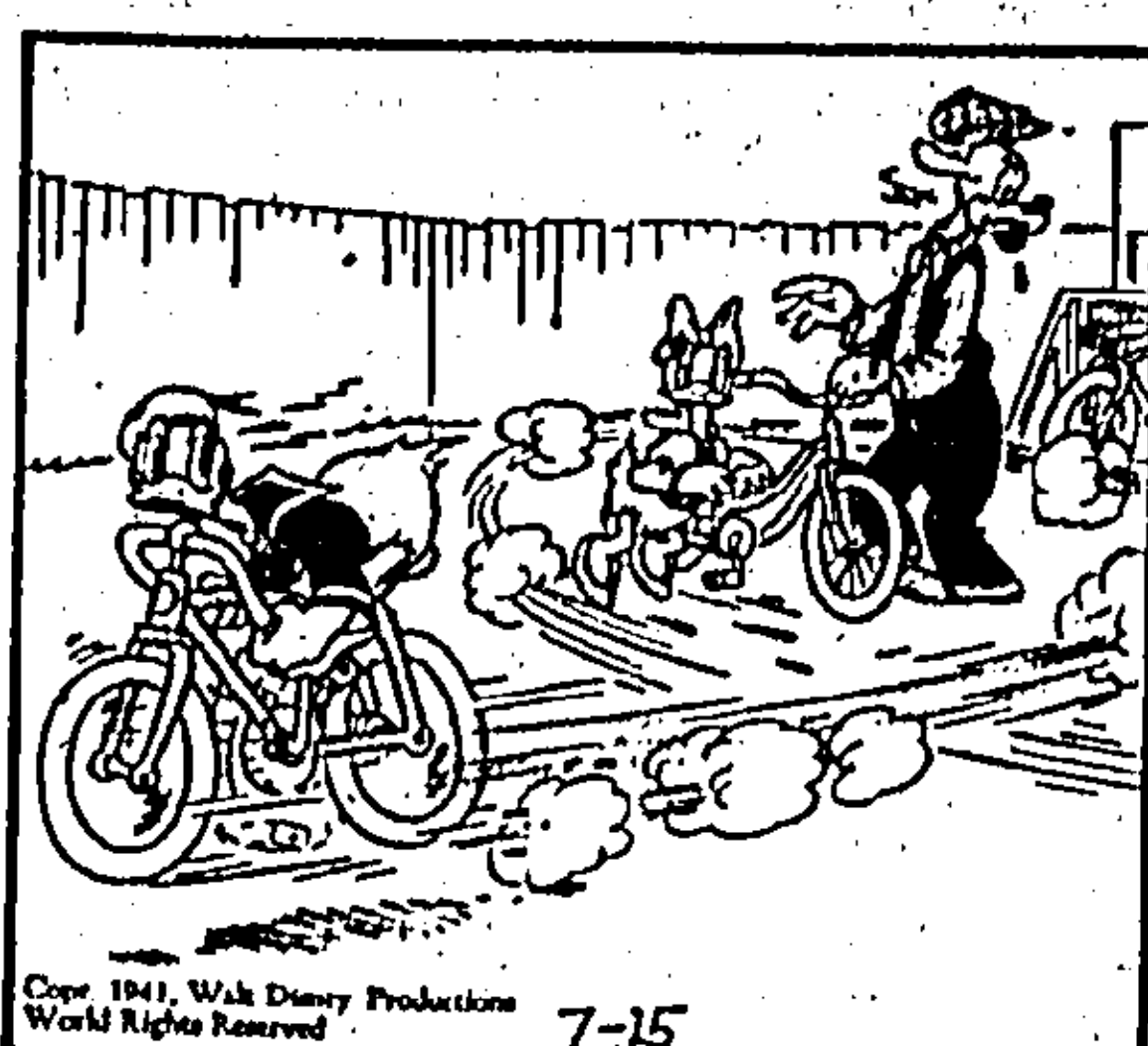
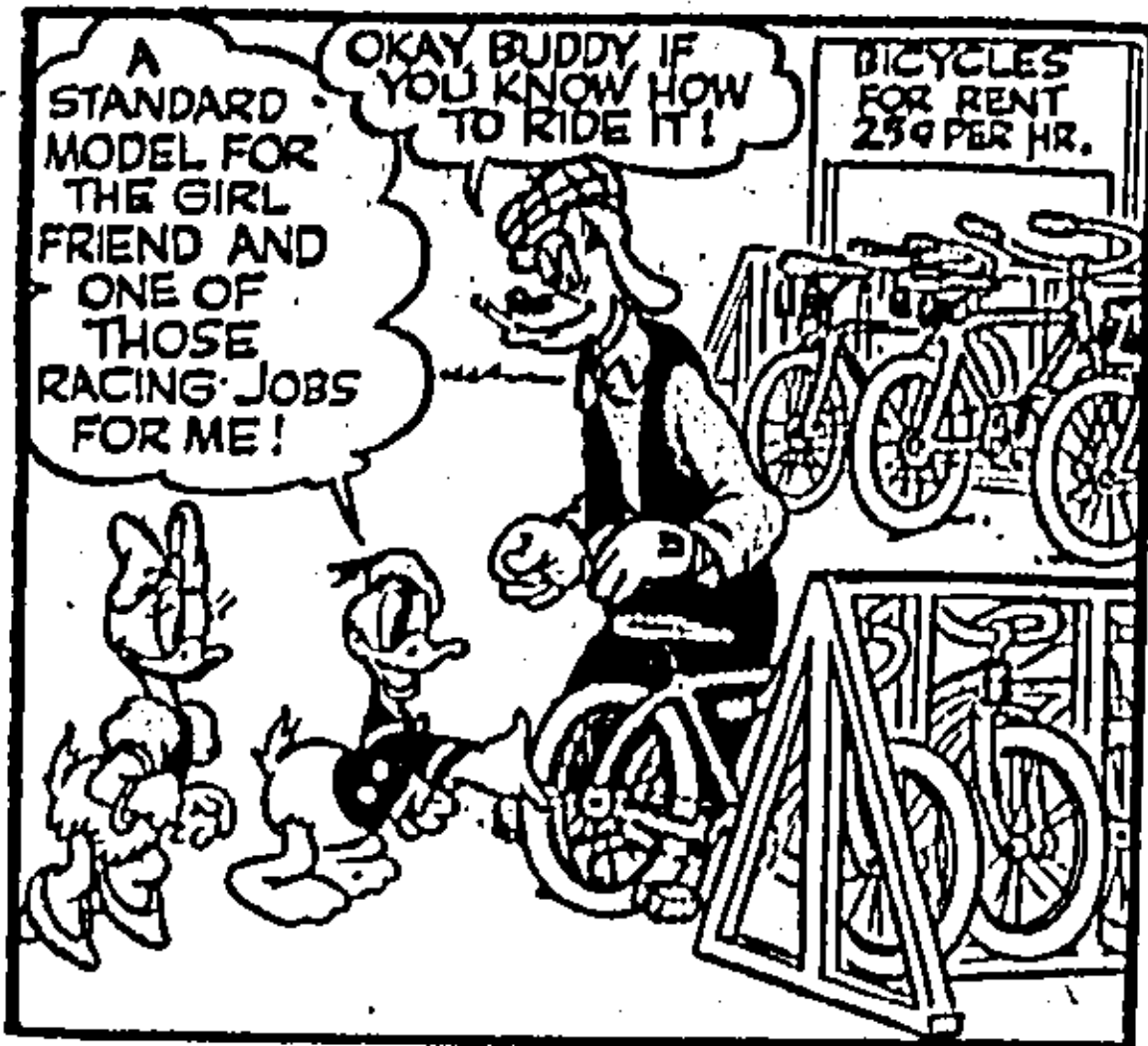
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♥ 7 2
♦ A Q J 10 4
♣ J 10 4

West: ♠ 10 8 4 3
♥ K 7 5
♦ 10 8 5 5
♣ A K 6

North: ♠ 9 8 2
♥ A J 5 4
♦ 10 8 3
♣ Q 7 3 2

East: ♠ A K 6
♥ K Q 10 8 3
♦ 10 2
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South West North East
2♥ Pass 3♥ Pass
4NT Pass 6♥ Pass
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This bidding is decidedly not recommended! To begin with, South's opening two heart bid was none too robust. Despite its five honor-tricks, it was right on the line between a one and a two heart bid. This, however, would have been unimportant if South had not later compounded his aggressiveness by jumping to four notrump. It is one thing to make a light or doubtful opening bid; it is quite another to give partner subsequent assurance that there was nothing doubtful about it. North, with a good diamond suit and some strength in spades, cannot be blamed for bidding a slam after South had bid so vigorously.

It goes without saying that the contract was pretty bad, involving a very favourable trump position and the diamond finesse. Yet, I feel sure that the slam would have been fulfilled against all but a handful of defenders.

West opened the club ten. Declarer won and led a low spade to dummy in order to return a heart toward his own hand. East naturally played low and declarer put in his king. Now came the crucial, in fact the only, important phase in the play. If West had followed the practice of ninety-nine in one hundred players,

he would have taken the trick with the ace and vaguely hoped that some other trick might develop. It would not, however, have done him any return, take the diamond finesse, and then, simply as a matter of percentage, finesse against the jack of trumps. Since this finesse also would immediately become a lay-down.

So much for what "would have happened." This particular West player did not make matters so easy for declarer. Without the slightest hesitation, he played low on the heart king! Note how this complicated declarer's problem. Obviously, he could not know the location of the heart ace or jack. Hence, after the king held, he made the perfectly normal play of taking the diamond finesse and leading another heart through East. When the latter again played low, declarer was faced with a sheer guess, and he chose the right play under the circumstances as he could see them. It would be futile to win with the ten-spot if East originally had started with A-J-x-x, since dummy had no more trumps for "coming through" purposes. Hence at this point the best chance seemed to be that East had ducked twice, holding A-x-x, and that the jack was now blank in West's hand. Whether or not declarer should have guessed right is beside the point. The fact is that West's hold-up of the heart ace had created a very difficult problem. When, on declarer's actual play of the heart queen, West's ace won, the jack was established in East's hand for the setting trick.

To-morrow's Hand
Both sides vulnerable.

♠ 5 4 3 2
♥ 8 5 4
♦ 7 4 3 2
♣ 8

West: ♠ K Q J 9
♥ 9 8 2
♦ 8 5
♣ K 9 6

North: ♠ 8 7
♥ Q 7 3
♦ Q 10 9
♣ J 10 6 4

East: ♠ A 10
♥ A K Q J
♦ A K 6
♣ A Q 7 3

How should South play his three notrump contract? Opening lead, spade king.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Toward sky
2—Go by water
3—Thought, logically
4—To surrender
5—Pillory
6—Pretend down
7—Infrequent
8—Patriotic
9—Mother Earth
10—Horse myth
11—Yellow first month
12—Red-billed cuckoo
13—Preliminary bet
14—Domesticated
15—Hatched (abbr.)
16—Anguish
17—Fortress
18—Animal embryo
19—Ded of love
20—Twelve
21—Daughter
22—Soviet Russian
23—And French
24—Combining form
25—Very small
26—Not alight
27—Smile on names
28—Not alight
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DOWN

1—Vase
2—Vestibule
3—Father of the Country
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James Hilton's strange and gripping tale of a paranoiac has been made into a motion picture, with Robert Montgomery, Ingrid Bergman and George Sanders in the leading roles



RAGE IN HEAVEN

SYNOPSIS:

Dr. Rameau has called the British Consul to his private insane asylum outside of Paris to help identify a mysterious English paranoiac, who calls himself Ward Andrews. But while they consult, the patient, unseen, escapes. In London, a few days later, Philip Monrell meets his brilliant friend Ward Andrews at a bar. Amused, Philip thinks of how he had used Ward's name in Paris, because it gave him a sense of importance. He and Ward go to his home in the country and there meet Stella Bergen, a beautiful refugee who is now companion to Philip's mother. Stella is drawn to Ward but turns to Philip when Mrs. Monrell must go away for her health and calls on Stella's gratitude to look after her son. Philip and Stella marry. They are happy, but out of sheer perversity he neglects his work as head of the steel mill at Chasingford. His behaviour is extremely erratic and to-day, at the mill, in order to build up his own importance, he has rejected the budget to fix up his workmen's homes.

Chapter Three

THAT EVENING, Stella had mournful news. Her kitten had been found lying in Platt's lane, just behind the steel works. Its neck had been broken.

Unaccountably, Philip became furious when Stella mentioned it to him.

But a while later he came to her, penitent. "I'll make it up to you," he said tenderly. "I'm sorry the kitten is gone. I'll buy you a hundred of them."

Her eyes were sad. "I don't think I'll ever have another. This one meant so much to me."

He was watching her. "Because Ward gave it to you?" She jumped up. "Ward? Ward. Ward. Always Ward! If you can't rid yourself of that idea you'll—"

"I'll go mad," he returned evenly. "Is that what you wanted to say?"

She turned to him seriously. "Philip, I'll tell you something. When I first met Ward, I thought he was charming and perhaps he was interested in me, I don't know. But I married you didn't I?"

He smiled peculiarly. "So he was interested in you. Of course, I knew it all the time."

THAT NIGHT he sent a telegram to Ward. For the next day he went around hugging the secret to his heart. Ward was coming for a visit. Imagine how surprised Stella would be. Maybe she'd faint—betray herself in some way like that.

Instead, her eyes simply widened when Philip led Ward in that evening. He had gone to the station himself to meet him with the car.

At dinner, Philip was all gaiety. He insisted on a toast to Ward and then went into an earnest account of how happy he and Stella were. Ward was really delighted for them. Once, Philip left the room to fetch a bottle of wine from the cellar. When he returned he listened at the door for a moment. Perhaps they were saying something interesting, something about their own feelings. He was a little disappointed, though. Ward

He was Philip's friend. He wouldn't have spoken to her that way unless he had reason. Of course he wanted to help Philip.

At noon the next day, she drove the car down to the steel works and when Ward came into his office she said shyly, "I had to see you. I want to apologise for the way I behaved yesterday." He tried to interrupt and she went on. "I couldn't sleep all night, thinking of the trouble here at the Works. Yes, I know that Philip has caused trouble and it's about the housing scheme, isn't it?"

Ward nodded. "Philip's handling the men the wrong way."

The men, however, weren't going to stand for it. They had always trusted their bosses to give them a square deal. They had worshipped Philip's father. Now Philip had come along and they didn't understand him at all.

"And Stella," Ward concluded, "you've got to talk to him. You must."

She looked away. "All right, I can try. But Ward, I don't think he'll yield an inch." Her eyes filled with tears and she twisted her fingers together.

All at once, Ward let out an ejaculation. "Stella, what a fool I've been. Forgive me. I didn't realise that this is the first time you and Philip have been separated. You're lonely for him. And here I've been discussing his business without thinking of your feelings." He got an idea. "I tell you what. You need a good dinner and some of my witty conversation. Very well, know what you're doing? Young lady, you're having dinner at the Inn with me to-night."

BY the time the coffee and liqueurs arrived that evening, they had thoroughly discussed the English cricket situation and Ward was teasing Stella with a highly technical discussion of his new type of annular bearing. He went through the molecular disintegration and the calibration and finally she cried out in laughter.

"Stop! Stop! It's fascinating but I don't understand a word."

She looked up and suddenly she paled.

Ward followed her gaze. "Hello, Philip. Are you back already?"

Philip was well pleased with himself. He had certainly taken Stella by surprise. "Obviously."

He sat down and said lightly, "Sorry, I didn't finish in London much sooner than I expected." He turned to Ward. "Thank you for taking Stella out."

"You don't have to thank me," Ward smiled. "Thank Stella for coming. You know, Philip, we were talking about you to-day."

Philip seemed amused. "What a depressing subject. Couldn't you think of anything more romantic?"

"Look here Philip," Ward said, "it's about the housing project. I know it's hard for a man in your position to reverse a decision. It takes courage, but believe me, if you do, the men will respect you for it. We all shall."

Philip's voice was thin. "Well, as it happens, I don't want respect. I want obedience! Do you understand?" He smiled. "I think perhaps we'd better drop this discussion. I might get angry."

Stella put her hand on Ward's arm. "Ward. Let's go."

Philip waited until they were at the door. Then he went to the clerk on the desk. "Put Mr. Andrews' dinner on my bill please. How much do I owe you?"

"Leaving us already, Mr. Monrell?" the clerk asked. He opened his ledger.

Philip nodded. He didn't want anyone to overhear the transaction. Stella and Ward must not have the slightest clue that he had been right here at the Inn to-night and not gone to London at all. It had been a fine plan, and it had worked.

So Stella and Ward were now broken enough to go out publicly on a merry-making spree together. Well, he'd wait and watch for further developments.

(Philip's erratic thinking is concentrated on Stella and Ward. They have become an obsession with him. Can he rid himself of his peculiar jealousy or will he find other circumstances to justify it? Don't miss to-morrow's dramatic instalment.)

Many of the great men and women of to-day were sensitive, highly-strung children . . .



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Many such brilliant children have failed in life. They've grown up weak, easily-led and over-sensitive, simply because their parents did not understand certain health warnings in childhood.

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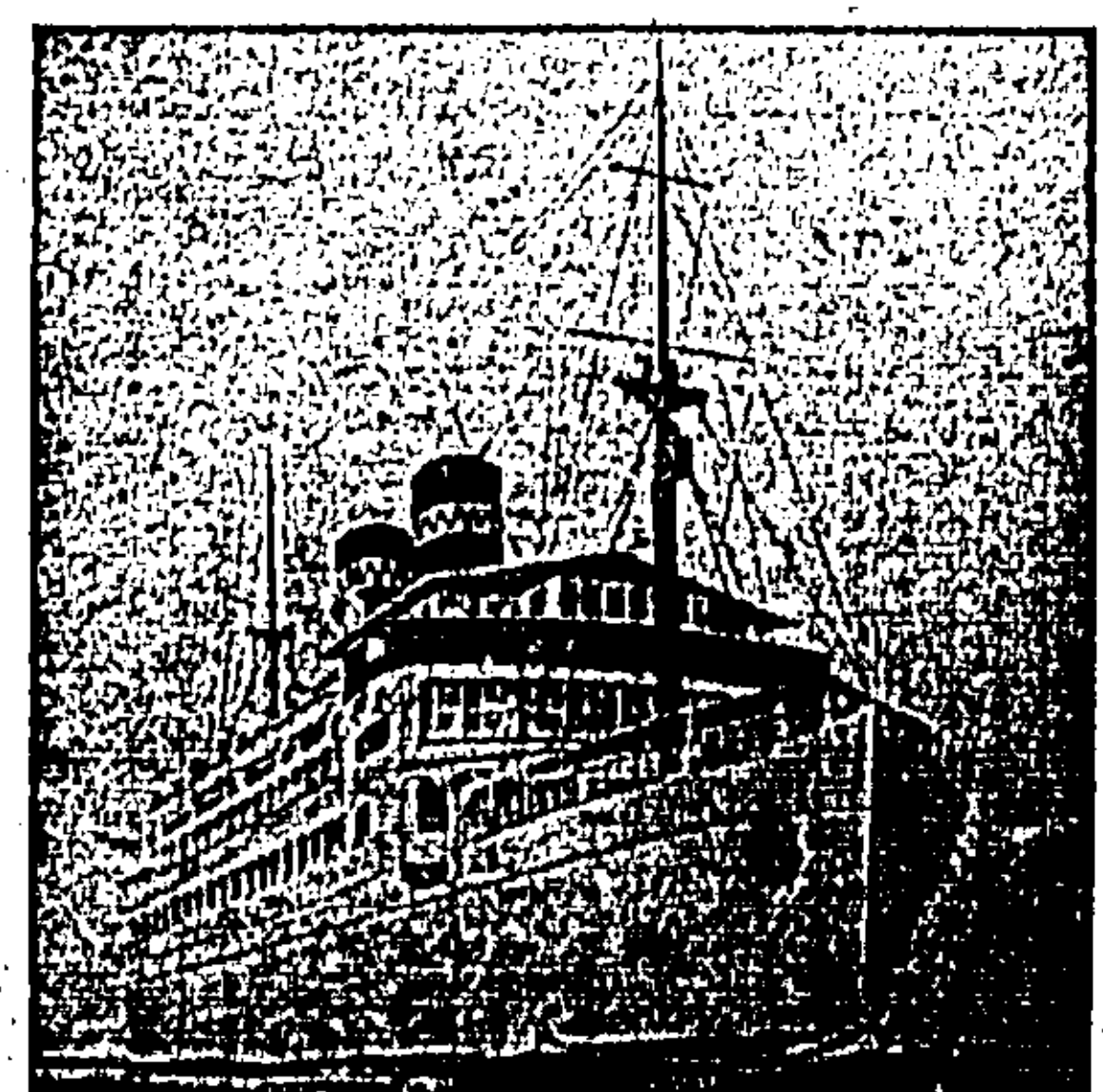
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WELCOME NEWS

WELCOME indeed is the news that Britain and Russia, acting in concert and displaying admirable initiative, have sent troops into Iran to thwart German fifth column activities in that strategically important country which forms a vital link between India and the war theatre in eastern Europe. It has been made fairly clear for weeks past, despite the cautious tone of official and inspired comment, that Iran was fast becoming a hotbed of German intrigue which, if permitted to continue unchecked, would be capable of very seriously compromising the Allied cause vis-a-vis southern Russia and India. It seems fair to assume that the prompt action of the Soviet and British military commands will succeed in crushing further Nazi machinations in this direction—at least via Iran and Turkey.

Welcome too, is the announcement that General Sir Archibald Wavell is at the head of the British forces now pushing their way towards the Persian oil centre. This appointment symbolises the strong intent of the British move; Wavell has always been a hard hitter as witness his Libyan and Ethiopian campaigns; he is a realist; a leader who acknowledges that Britain is opposed to a ruthless enemy and who is himself prepared to be equally ruthless to defeat that enemy. In plain words, it means that the Iranians will either accept the situation or take the consequences. The issues are of prime importance, and this is war. The Iranian authorities have been given the fullest and most comforting assurances by the Allies; this is no attempt to usurp an established Government while that Government is amenable to reason and willing to acknowledge that its own strength is insufficient to deal with the internal disorganisation created by German fifth columnists. Iran will remain free for the Iranians and the guarantee of that is the very presence of British and Allied forces within the country; without their presence Iran might well have become another Norway overnight.

Early reports suggest that Turkey has not taken kindly to the Allied move, but this immediate reaction is probably caused by lack of appreciation of the motive underlying the invasion; when this is fully understood Turkey will have good grounds for welcoming it. If nothing else it provides her with friendly and well-wishing neighbours on three sides—from Syria, Iraq and Iran and while the Russian fleet dominates the Black Sea, the Turks can afford to sleep more peacefully in their beds. The presence of well established Allied forces around the entire land frontier of Turkey must act as a strong deterrent to Axis designs on Turkey—designs, incidentally, which have long been obvious. It will be generally and sincerely hoped that the Allies will accept the position and will refrain from opposition which can serve only to bring unnecessary distress and bloodshed to the country with whom the Allies have no quarrel, nor do they seek one. The Allied move is not acquisitive, but strategic.

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Thousands of men and women now man Britain's radiolocators. Millions of pounds have been spent on them.

The name of the man who gave it to us is Robert Alexander Watson Watt, 49-year-old Sgt from Brechin, Angus.

He made his discovery six years ago, working with the first detection device in an old lorry in a country road near Daventry.

Invisible Wall

From that first experiment on a March morning system, in 1935 there was built up "The Battle of Britain," the invisible wall round our sea, confidently heading for Nazi pilots, miles out to Britain, did not know that has grown into an organization of their move-

sation covering the whole country, and applying to the Navy and Army as well as to the R.A.F."

By A. B. AUSTIN

This has been one of the best kept secrets of the war. In the Services it was only referred to by three letters. Few even in the Army, Navy and R.A.F. knew these things, and they could not be whispered outside the services.

Recently, Air Chief Marshal Sir Philip Joubert, Commander-in-Chief, Coastal Command, disclosed for the first time the use of the other wave in war. He was one of the men responsible for the application of the discoveries of Watson Watt and other radio pioneers to modern warfare.

He made his disclosure because he was appealing for 10,000 men and more than 5,000 women to join the great organisation in the three services which maintains the radiolocation system.

"The Battle of Britain," he said, was won by a combination of our fighters and the radiolocation system.

"The lorry near Daventry, which has grown into an organization covering the whole country, and applying to the Navy and Army as well as to the R.A.F."

He could save his petrol and the time and energy of his pilots.

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Ether waves are not affected by fog, cloud or darkness.

Sent groping into space from the detection stations, they strike any solid object such as a ship or an aircraft that may be approaching.

At once the approach of the raider is recorded.

24 Hour Watch

The ether waves keep a 24-hour watch.

Thanks to them, Air Chief Marshal Sir Hugh Dowding, Commander-in-Chief of the Fighter Command during the Battle of Britain, did not have to keep standing patrols of Spitfires and Hurricanes in the air.

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WATSON WATT: the man who discovered radiolocation. Was meteorologist-in-charge of Royal Aircraft Establishment in the last war. Joined Department of Scientific and Industrial Research in 1921. In January, 1940, was scientific adviser on tele-communications. Six months later was transferred to Ministry of Aircraft Production.

The staff of the three services employed on radiolocation runs into thousands.

Scientists are constantly making improvements, and the manufacturers have to keep up with the research workers.

But both scientists and manufacturers are short of trained staff to service the increasing number of radio locators.

As Mr Attlee said in the House of Commons, our need for these craftsmen is increasing rapidly, and we want more and more of them.

But not only men are needed. In all three Services women can work in the detection posts. During the Battle of Britain W.A.A.F. girls were sitting at the posts, receiving the warnings of Nazi raiders and sending them to the Fighter Command operations-room.

"It is radio that will destroy enemy aeroplanes," said Lord Beaverbrook.

He was broadcasting to America an appeal to men of technical skill to help in the repair and maintenance of our wireless devices.

"It is the radio," he said, "that finds the enemy in the darkness, that seeks him out through the clouds."

CHIANG'S NEPHEW FERRIES FOR R.A.F.

By A Correspondent

"Calling Mr Chang. Calling the physical tests for the R.A.F. Mr Chang. Will you please go to Operations Room immediately. You are required for a close friend of the late Miss Amy Johnson, who was also in the A.T.A. and was ferrying a plane when killed."

Mr Chang—nobody knows him by any other name—rose from a deep armchair in the rest room at the aerodrome and went off to report to Operations Room.

This tall, charming nephew of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, head of the Chinese Army, is one of 200 pilots of the Air Transport Auxiliary, which has commandeered this station. They have relieved R.A.F. pilots of the task of transporting planes from manufacturers to R.A.F. stations. This means two flights, with this aerodrome as the intermediate stage.

Planes come from the factories without armaments and other necessary fittings. Here they are fitted and flown on to the R.A.F.

A day among these pilots, such as I spent, is equal to a round-the-world trip. There are Poles, Czechs, Frenchmen, Americans, an Indian and a Spaniard, as well as English men and women.

ONE HAND, ONE EYE
I chatted over a cup of tea with one of the Poles. He was formerly one of several pilots of Lockheed airliners operating from Warsaw. With two others, he decided to leave for Britain when it became apparent that the fall of Poland was inevitable. Each took one of the airliners and without maps or other guides, except compasses, flew across Germany and France to Britain. "One of my companions has been killed since in a flying accident," he told me.

Many of the Englishmen were pilots in the Royal Flying Corps during the last war. One of them, Capt. Keith Jopp, is the only man with a complete disability pension from the last war who is still flying. With only one hand and one eye, he happens often, but one man told transports anything from a me of an occasion when he Spitfire to a Wellington bomber, went only slightly off his course.

There are others, much younger, with the necessary hot-few minutes by one of our flying qualifications for the battleships. "Which only shows A.T.A.—50 hours and an "A" how smart our Navy is," was pilot's licence—who cannot pass his comment.

Our first call was at the Operations Room, where pilots receive their orders for the first flights of the day. "Mr Smith, drive to factory X and pick up a Spitfire," or "Senior Silvario, take a Magister (a training aircraft) to aerodrome Y."

Each pilot nodded and went off to the maps and signals room. Spread out on the table was a large secret map of Britain. The station is allowed only this one copy, showing the channels of flight across Britain which these ferry pilots must use. Aerodromes, balloon barrages and A.A. batteries are marked as danger spots to be avoided, for if venturing near a danger spot is likely to be taken for ability pension from the last war who is still flying. With only one hand and one eye, he happens often, but one man told transports anything from a me of an occasion when he Spitfire to a Wellington bomber, went only slightly off his course.

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GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Elwyn's a darling, mamma—we had our first quarrel this morning and he's no good at all!"

RUSSIA MAKES CLEAR TO IRAN WHY INVASION BECAME A NECESSITY

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—News of the Soviet and British decision to deal effectively with the danger which the situation in Iran presented to both Powers in their struggle against Germany was announced on the radio in fullest detail to the Soviet people.

It does not come as any surprise to informed observers. The measured terms of the Soviet Note handed to the Iranian Ambassador speak for themselves. They make clear that there is no question of any aggression by the Soviet which is acting entirely in self-defence in sending troops into Iran and bases the action on a clause in the Soviet-Iranian Treaty.

The Iranian Government had been given three separate warnings regarding the attitude which the Soviet Government would be obliged to take in view of the continued activity in Iran of German agents.

Flow of Agents

From the early part of last year, there was a steady flow of these agents through the Balkans and Turkey on their way to Iran and in recent months it had become increasingly clear that these agents have obtained considerable influence through the commercial enterprises they are running or are helping to run.

It is felt here that no such situation could be allowed to brew in Iran as was produced in Iraq.

The Soviet and British decision helps in the bad any such possibility. At the same time, the terms of the Soviet Note make it very clear that the Soviet Union has no territorial designs on Iran.

The fact that the British and Soviet Governments are acting in concert will be welcomed here as further practical proof of their determination to act jointly in crushing Hitler's plans.

Concessions Made

MOSCOW, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—The Soviet note to the Iranian Ambassador stated that all the privileges extended to Russians on Iranian soil which were humiliating to Iranian sovereignty were abolished. Various Russian enterprises in Iran were to be handed over to the Iranian Government.

By this the Soviet Government proved to the Iranian people their readiness to assist in the development and prosperity of Iran.

By the Treaty of February 26, 1921, the Soviet Government returned to Iran the islands along the coast of the Astrakhan and Gorkhatsk provinces of Iran, and also railways.

ports and various establishments which were formerly exploited by the Tzarist Government.

Friendly Intentions

Further treaties between the Soviet Government and Iran also give proof of the constant friendly intentions of the U.S.S.R. towards Iran.

During recent years, the Soviet Government took steps to consolidate and develop the economic welfare of Iran. Nevertheless, even in the fundamental treaty of 1921, it had been foreseen that difficulties might arise in view of the possibility that Iranian territory might be exploited by enemy elements against the U.S.S.R. and Iran itself, thus using Iranian territory as a base for aggression against the U.S.S.R.

Saboteurs

Agents of German Fascism (here the Note gives the names of the agents and the commercial firms by which they are employed) have reached the limit in their subversive activities in attempting to introduce into the Soviet provinces of Azerbaijan and the oil region of the Baku group of saboteurs and terrorists.

On the other hand their activities were also directed at enterprises in a military coup in Iran itself. With the arrival in Teheran from Iraq of the Chief of the German Secret Service in Iran, Gammet and his assistant Mayer, and with the close co-operation of the German Embassy at Teheran, armed groups were formed in the frontier region with a view to organising sabotage activities in the Baku region and other districts.

German agents at various points in Iran territory have established dumps of arms and ammunitions especially in the northern provinces.

Military Instruction

In the neighbourhood of Minch they had prepared over 50 tons of explosives in the Teheran district they gave military instruction to German residents to further their criminal intentions.

Fifty-six German secret service-men have penetrated into a number of big industrial concerns. Especially dangerous are the activities of the Krupp's agent spy, Arlet.

Von Radonovich, Director of the German firm of Siemens, is another notorious German spy, and likewise his assistant Wolf.

These German agents are tampering on the elementary rights of the Iranians and with complete disregard of Iranian sovereignty are preparing Iranian territory as a base for aggression against the U.S.S.R.

Three Warnings

This situation in Iran constitutes a grave danger and it imposes upon the U.S.S.R. the necessity of taking all measures for their own security—measures which it is not only their right but also their duty to take for the Treaty of 1921.

Since German aggression on the U.S.S.R., the Soviet Government has thrice given warning to the Iranian Government, June 26, July 19 and August 16, regarding the dangers represented by the subversive and diversionist activities of German agents and spies.

JAPANESE SUCCESS CLAIMED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" SHANGHAI, Aug. 25 (UP).—Japanese sources to-day said that the Japanese army has surrounded 5,000 Red army troops in the Wushan mountains on the border between Hopen and Shansi, after which they launched an annihilating offensive.

Throughout the week there has been a Japanese offensive in the Chihai, Shansi and Hopen border region against 40,000 Chinese troops in the first major offensive since the appointment of General Yasuji Kaniura as Commander in Chief of the Japanese forces in north China replacing General Tada.

High Cost Of Living

More Evidence Given Another meeting of the High Cost of Living Committee was held in the Chambers of Mr Justice P. E. F. Cressall, the Chairman, at the Supreme Court yesterday, when the following members of the Government Service gave evidence.—Mr Tam Kan-wai and Mr Chan Tao-cheng both of the Labour Office; Mr Ho Chok-ma, Import and Export Department; Mr D. W. Luke, Public Works Department; Mr Chau Tai, Fire Brigade; Nurse A. Loeck, Medical Department; Inspectors Jen Yu and Wong Kim, Hongkong Police; and two police constables, one from the Wahaiwei contingent, and one Cantonese.

After evidence had been given, the Committee adjourned until next Thursday, when they will meet to consider the report.

PROVIDING SUPPLY LINES Through Iran To Russia

(BY "REUTERS" MILITARY CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—The immediate consequences of the British advance through Iran will be to ensure close co-operation between Russia and Britain in an extension of the war front, and one which is geographically not difficult to maintain.

With British controls stretching eastward without saying that a continuous front with the Russians will soon be established in Iran, and so on into the Caucasus—the front which will support and strengthen Turkey against Nazi threats and aggression.

Moreover, behind this new front will be secure supply lines up the Red Sea and up the Persian Gulf via Baghdad and Mosul to Turkey, and also into the Caucasus and south Russia from Basrah, Bushire, and Bandarap, through Teheran and Tabriz.

Nazi Intentions

If Iran had been left under Nazi influence all these supply lines would have been endangered and possibly before long would have been cut.

The Nazi "tourists" and agents who had over-run Iran would have carried out the same function for Hitler's strategy in Russia against the British Empire as his paratrooper and air-borne troops have managed in other theatres of war.

Their elimination is a vital necessity and was one which could no longer be delayed.

These vital lines of supply through the Red Sea and the Persian Gulf lead back to supplies not only from India but also from Australia, the East Indies and right back to both the Americas.

In a word, a direct link will soon be established with the Russian allies, and that material assistance which the Russians require can now be reasonably guaranteed.

House-Breaker, Gaol-Breaker Captured

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Stanley Thurston, the escaped convict known as the "man whom no gaol can hold," was arrested in London to-day after 152 days' liberty.

He had no identity card, no ration book and no gas mask.

Thurston, who is 31 years of age, escaped from the grim high-walled prison of Dartmoor on March 25. He was serving a sentence of five years' penal servitude and five years' preventive detention passed in August 1930 for house-breaking, larceny and being a habitual criminal.

Dartmoor is the fifth prison from which he has escaped.

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HITLERIAN STRATEGY IN EAST

From Caucasus To Iran

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Hitler's strategy in the east is no secret, involving as it does a drive through the Caucasus to Iran through Afghanistan and then on to India, it is declared in London.

It is held that Nazi preparation for the occupation of Iran is identical with that of all other countries earmarked for German development.

It is known that at the German Legation at Teheran, the Iranian capital, there is installed the usual corps of so-called attaches and experts who are immensely busy—this time with the task of shoring up industrialisation of an essentially agrarian country.

Iran was also the refuge of Raschid Ali following the ill-fated Iraqi revolt and although he has now left Iran, another dangerous possibility remains: the Mufti of Jerusalem, that ace provocateur of Palestine strife, also travelled to Teheran and still finds sanctuary there.

Baku Oil Fields

Iran was selected by Hitler as a country which could be exploited. These provinces would be of immense strategic value in preparing an advance into the rich Baku oil fields and later his armies would benefit from the groundwork accomplished by resident Nazi-Iranian representatives in any drive on India.

This is the background of Iran, whose 15,000,000 people live in an area three times the size of France, in a country whose climate is arid or semi-arid and whose mountain ranges and deserts form its main defence.

Iran has in the past been conquered from the west, east and south, and in those times the invaders were not as desperate as are today's Nazis for Iran's 60,000,000 barrels of oil which her wells produce annually.

Development by the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company of the country's oil resources has to-day made it the No. 3 oil producer in the world.

Doughty Fighters

Although the Persians are doughty fighters they have to-day little but their traditional courage with which to oppose any panzer drive. The Iranian Army is around 100,000 strong and has an air force of about 280 planes, mostly of an antiquated design. There are at least one dozen air bases established and the country is in general suitable for the construction of landing grounds.

Iran's tiny navy concentrates on carrying out patrols in the Persian Gulf.

Lying as it does midway between the Soviet Union and India, Iran has become the centre of conjecture in which only one thing is certain—the Germans' determination to exploit Iran's strategic situation and her great natural resources.

Successful Espionage

German agents in Iran have been generously supplied with Reichsbank gold and their tasks of espionage and corruption have met with some success. There has been extensive Nazi infiltration and there is sound reason for assuming that their activities have met with considerable success amongst the officers and ranks of the Iranian Army. This is an achievement which has gratified Hitler.

Iran, whose development in the last 20 years has been almost entirely due to British aid, as the bulk of her revenue comes from the percentage payment on her oil production, has been given every opportunity to rid herself of German infiltration but has failed to do so.

JAPANESE REACTIONS TO SPEECH

Churchill's Accusations Rejected

TOKYO, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Although obviously it is not announced yet, authoritative Japanese sources here have rejected Mr Churchill's accusations saying, "Menacing whom? Japan is not menacing anybody. Japan has not menaced anything."

The official Japanese reaction is not likely to be received at least until the text of the message is fully received. It has been reported only sketchily so far.

Mr Churchill's references to the depredations of the Japanese military faction are labelled, "Just another attempt to disintegrate Japanese unity which is wholly impossible." Japan's actions are said to be based upon a solidly based national policy.

To Alienate Thailand

TOKYO, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Mr Churchill's speech is designed to alienate Thailand from Japan says the "Kokumin Shinbun".

The early morning papers generally follow the first reaction.

Mr Churchill is "devoid of time and sense because the China conflict preceded the European war and therefore Japan cannot be imitating Hitler" the "Kokumin Shinbun" adds.

The China reconstruction and the co-operative Indo-China advance was agreed upon freely and peacefully by Vichy whereas it is Britain who is bearing pressure on South Asia, adds the paper.

Official circles deny knowledge of the Japanese-American base negotiations which are hinted at by Mr Churchill although reports from Admiral Nomura, Japanese Ambassador to Washington, have not been received recently.

Mr Hull Silent

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25 (UP).—At the press conference to-day Mr Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, declined to comment directly upon Mr Churchill's remarks regarding Japanese-United States negotiations, but said that informal talks are proceeding which do not change the 1937 viewpoint when it was announced that the United States insisted on the respect of treaties and the maintenance of international law by peaceful methods instead of forceful treaty revision.

He said that last Saturday's talk with Admiral Nomura, the Japanese Ambassador, was typical of the method under which the negotiations are being conducted.

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"Ball Fan's" Baseball Notes

Portuguese Champions Routed By U.S.A.

Masterful Pitching By
"Crooner" Ruel

Hongkong All-Stars Two Up

"Dat old apple" again took a long distance swerve-banging ride over the week-end in the triple carded post season baseball games when emphasis on high-scoring platter jaunts greeted hardy ball fans at the Chatham Road stadium. Old man weather crossed up with a typical atmospheric contrast when perfect baseball weather of the "pay day" tilt changed to slight sizzling rains for the Sabbath doubleheader.

Mightiest of the might last season, Portugal's rough riders, International champions, took a lightning tumble from their lofty perch as the United States charged through to the final round with a classy 12-2 win. China entered the selected bracket overwhelming a "sign on anybody" Great Britain nine 18-3. It was just about the poorest showing of any team that has ever represented Great Britain in the annual International Series.

HONGKONG'S All-Stars made it two up in the Charity series classics, eking out an 18-16 victory over the United States Navy in a heated tip-sy-turvy fray.

CROONER Ruel's masterful hurling effort had class marked all around it in neon-lit sparks as he vanquished Portugal's defending champions 12-2 with a starry speedball show. The "ginging twirler" had the Portuguese nine literally eating out of his hands, allowing a measly two hits and whiffing five.

Answer To Problem

The umpire was a diplomat but he would have been a wiser one if he had claimed he was watching the ball instead of the runner so did not see him cut second base. If he had made the correct decision the game probably would have ended in a riot.

The proper play was for the second baseman to ask the umpire in chief to put another ball in play, then claim the out at second by holding the new ball on that base. That would have retired the side with the batsman getting credit for only a one as the scoring of runs was concerned, although the out would not be actually declared until claimed. Presumably the runner from first did not score in time and that would make the game end 6 to 5 in favour of the visitors. Hence the riot forecast.

The United States Stars burst across the pan with winning tallies in every stanza except the second, connecting for six extra base-clouts in the rout of the champions.

Starting in with a vengeance in the opening frame after Wee Willie Wilson had flied to centre, Skl Powlawski laid a sizzling double to deep left. Crooner Ruel hoisted for the second out, but Tony Muscavage singled and two runs breezed home on Mao McEneaney's long double to the outfield fence. Chuck Waggoner popped to second, ending the initial inning threat.

Portuguese fans saw a temporary sparkle of hope in the 2nd canto, with the Gosano clan in predominance, after Zinho Gosano was thrown out on a close play. Bertie Gosano took first on Greasy Moore's wild peg, advanced to second and went to third on another Moore miscue. Eddie Gosano's single through the box drove in Bertie with Portugal's first tally, but the Doc was caught stretching toward second. Hefty Mike

Mendonca hoisted to right field for the last out.

Crooner Ruel's sacrifice fly in the 3rd drove in Wee Willie Wilson with another Yankee run. Uncle Sam's Stars were clutching in the pinches, adding steadily to their big winning margin.

Two more tallies were marked up in the 4th frame after Chuck Waggoner and Greasy Moore had whiffed in the perfect Saturday afternoon baseball breeze. Wee Willie Wilson's second hit of the day, a driving double to deep centre drove in Sox Hoversox and Doc Molthen. Skl Powlawski flied to right field for the last out in this stanza.

The defending champions pushed across their final tally in the last of the 4th when Zinho Gosano sailed across the pan on a single and two errors. However, the Stars and Stripes flustered majestically in the next frame as blonde Greasy Moore came up with the big time clutch act to drive in three runs with a rousing triple to the outfield wall. It was a typical money-labelled hit in the Jimmy Ripley style.

Two bingles, a walk and a sacrifice brought in three more North American runs in the 6th inning as Wee Willie Wilson, pinch-runner R. J. Wilson and Tony Muscavage cruised home on high.

Starry Willie Wilson's prodigious homer in the last stanza off relief hurler Zinho Gosano, added that last minute thrill to complete the rout of last year's titleholders.

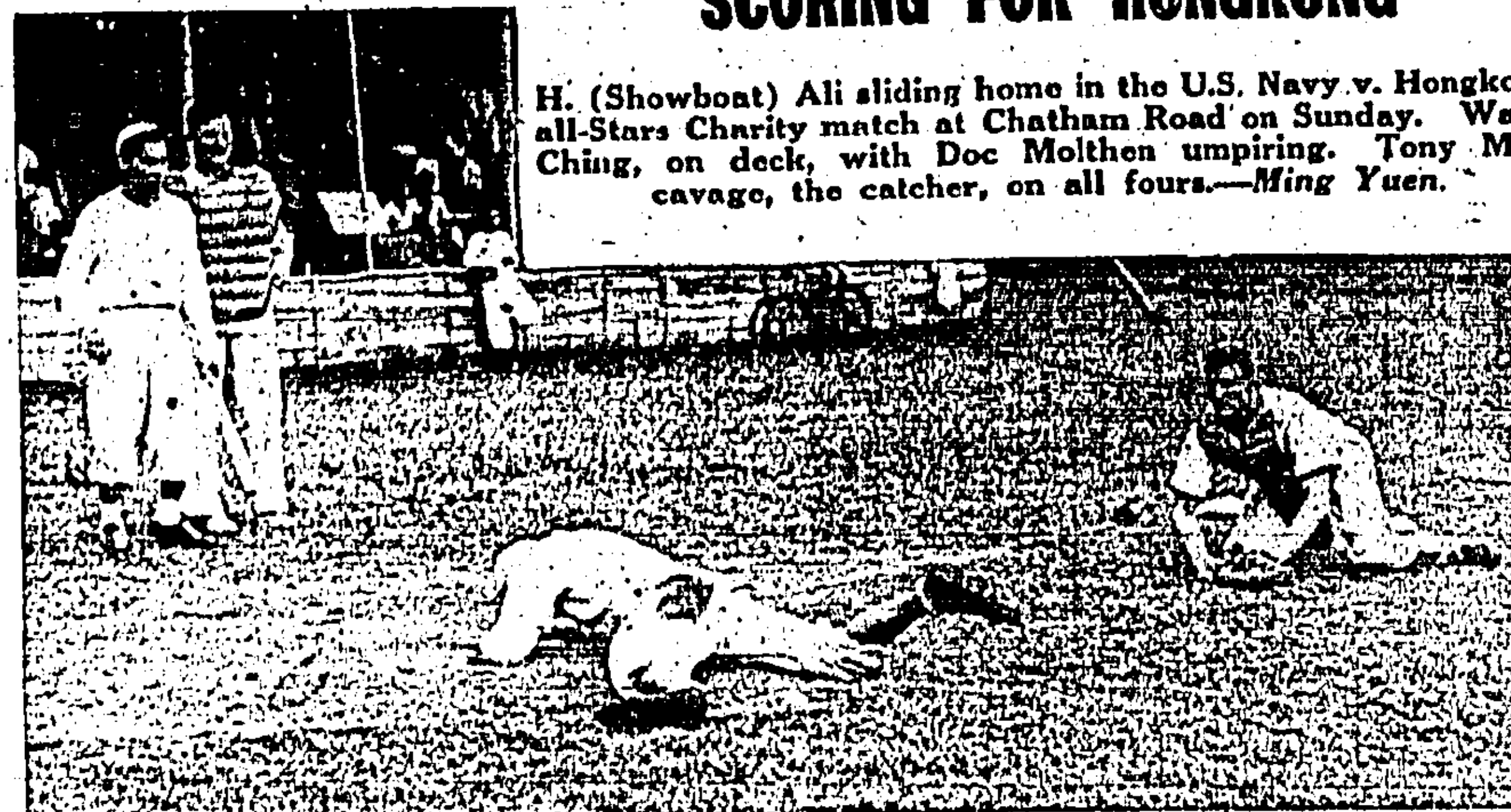
THE slip-slushy ball field after the Sabbath morning down-pour gave ball fans a real error-making classic and put the local All-Stars two up and one to go. **TURN to Page 7, Column Five**

Hawaiians Break 400-metre Relay Record

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 24 (Reuter).—A new American 400-metre relay swimming record was created by the Hawaiian team which captured the third consecutive team championship in the recent National A.A.U. swimming meet at Saint Louis, by garnering eight first places out of 10 events.

Participating in a local swimming meet, the Hawaiian team composed of Bill Smith, Paul Herron, Charles Oda and Takashi Hirose negotiated the 400 metres in 4 minutes 23/10 seconds, shattering the previous week 4 minutes 8 8/10 seconds created in 1935 by the Yale University team.

Meanwhile, in the same meet Chiyeko Miyamoto, mermaid from Hawaii, who won the 300-metre individual medley at the National Women's Swimming Championships, was placed first in the 100-metre back-stroke, registering the last time of 83 4/10 seconds.



H. (Showboat) Ali sliding home in the U.S. Navy v. Hongkong all-Stars Charity match at Chatham Road on Sunday. Wally Ching, on deck, with Doc Molthen umpiring. Tony Muscavage, the catcher, on all fours.—Ming Yuen.

Weekend Stars

Wee Willie Wilson and Crooner Ruel, United States—Former led the Yankee clouting attack with a tremendous homer and three singles, drove in three runs and crossed the plate with three more; the "Crooner" hurled masterful ball despite a bad ankle injury, holding Portugal to two measly bingles and whiffing five.

Wally Ching and Hank Chang, All-Stars—Former checked in with four tallies in the close Hongkong win and bore down in the clutch with steady relief twirling; latter fielded brilliantly on a shaky infield, chalked up three runs to the high-scoring game and drove in another.

Bill Chang and Al Lau, China—Former led China's slugging attack, slamming out four bingles and crossing the plate with three runs in the big Chinese win; "Specs" Al hurled three hit ball, fanned five and also added a big gusto to the attack with a double and two singles, scored two runs and drove in three more.

Hongkong Beat Macao At Mini-Soccer

THE HONGKONG Interport miniature football team, led by Mr Ko Cheuk-hung, sailed for Macao on Sunday to beat the Macao team 2-1 in an encounter at Areia Preta.

On arrival, they were met by representatives of the Macao Miniature Football Association and members of the home team, and were entertained at a tea party.

Later in the afternoon, the teams met, and after a very interesting game, Hongkong won by two goals to one. The scorers for Hongkong were Lai Chung-ying and Chan Chark-kai.

H.E. the Governor of Macao (Comdr. Teixeira) and the Commissioner of Police of the Portuguese Colony were among the large number of spectators.

The Hongkong team returned yesterday.

U.S. Ryder Cup Team Beaten

DETROIT, Aug. 25 (Reuter).—Bobby Jones's team, in a challenge match, has beaten the United States 1939 Ryder Cup team 8½-6½.

The foursomes played yesterday and on Saturday resulted in a 3-2 lead for the Ryder Cup team. Ten singles were played to-day in which the Ryder Cup players were beaten 5½-4½.

Shanghai Swimming Championships Under Way

Hekking Wins 220 Freestyle Title

SHANGHAI, Aug. 16.—Bobby Hekking was crowned Shanghai Champion at the A.S.F. pool yesterday, when he triumphed in a close 220 yards race, edging out strong competition in T. Chic, being clocked at 2.37, his fastest time in a 220 race to date.

Meanwhile, the other favourites came through in their respective championship events to receive their crowns. Alec Grebenschkoff beat Jackie Dodd in the 100 yards Men's Breaststroke, while Miss Doreen Gray won the 50 yards Ladies' Breaststroke, and Miss Jill Pech the 50 yards Ladies' backstroke.

Helped by a fine start, Hekking took an early lead in the eight-lap 220 race. Chic however soon caught up and the two left the other swimmers, Wen and Stephen, behind.

Fighting neck and neck to the finish, Hekking and Chic raised tension to a breaking point.

Although both slowed down on the seventh lap, they showed new life in a spurt on the last lap. Hekking edged a little ahead, but Chic kept coming up strongly.

Smart Move Wins Race

As the A.S.F. pool is measured out in metres, the swimmers had to turn after the eighth lap and swim a yard back, to complete exactly the 220 mark.

Here Hekking displayed a smart piece of fast thinking, which gave him the race by the slim margin of a half a yard.

Touching the end of the pool with one hand, and instead of turning completely around, Hekking simply slapped his other hand back, thus touching the finish rope and winning the race, while Chic was still taking the turn.

Wen came in a few seconds after Chic to beat Stephen.

Dodd Leads All Way

JACKIE DODD gave a big scare to Alec Grebenschkoff, when he took a lead of a couple of yards and kept ahead for three laps of the 100 yards breast-stroke event.

It was only on the last lap that he was overtaken by Grebenschkoff.

Dodd, using a butterfly stroke, finished the third lap a yard ahead of Grebenschkoff, but lost a few valuable seconds on the turn.

The Russian swimmer, with powerful strokes, overtook him and finished some two yards ahead of him.

The time of the race was not particularly good, Grebenschkoff being timed at 76½ seconds, this being ten seconds slower than the standing Shanghai record.

Miss Gray Wins Easily

MISS DOREEN GRAY had things all her own way in the Ladies' Breaststroke as she encountered little competition.

She jumped into an early lead and increased it continuously. On her second lap she was already five yards ahead, and finished an easy first.

The battle was, as predicted, for the second place. Miss Resek, and Miss Dodd fought all the way, with Miss Resek finishing ahead by a single stroke.

Miss Peach Loses Time

MISS PEACH lost a good chance to beat her backstroke record, when she delayed her turn for the 50 yards backstroke, for some full three seconds, finishing her race in 30 4/5 seconds, a second and a half slower than her record.

Miss Peach took an immediate lead and kept it all along. While losing the available ground on the turn, she nevertheless kept up her advantage and won the race easily.

Miss Lelia Hekking challenged her towards end of the race, but the spurt was too late and Miss Hekking had to be content with her second place.

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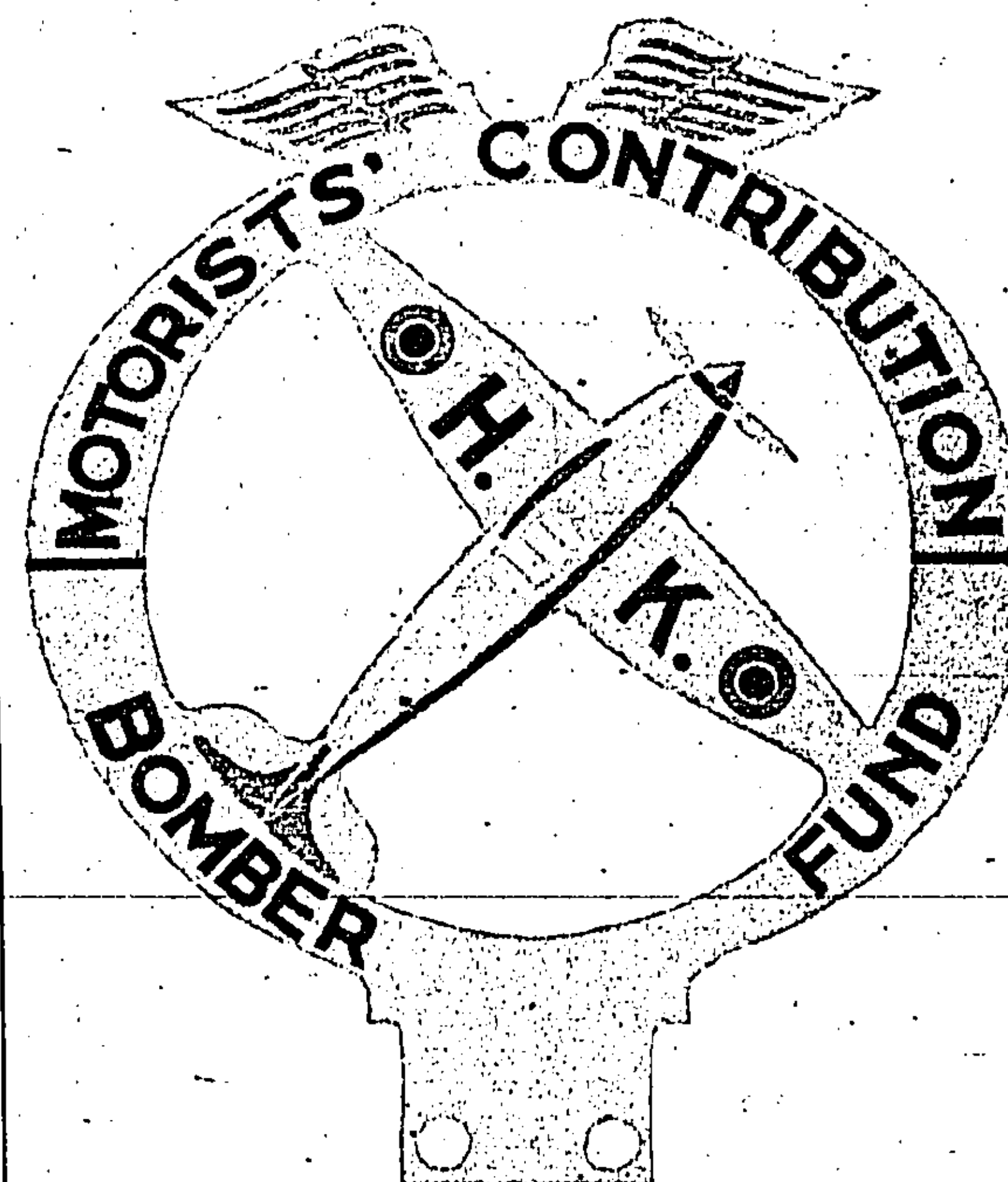
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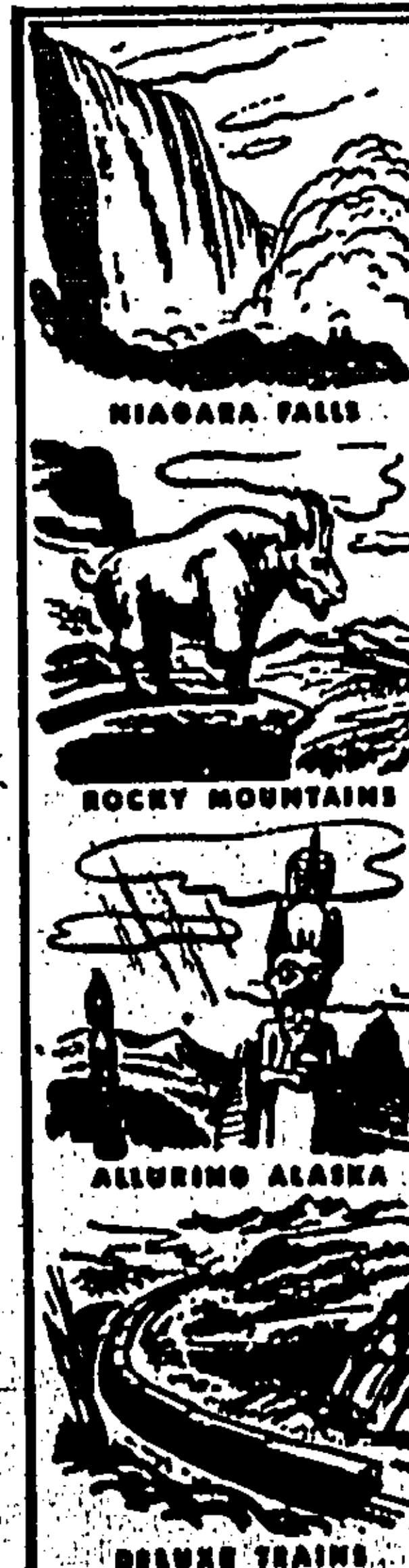
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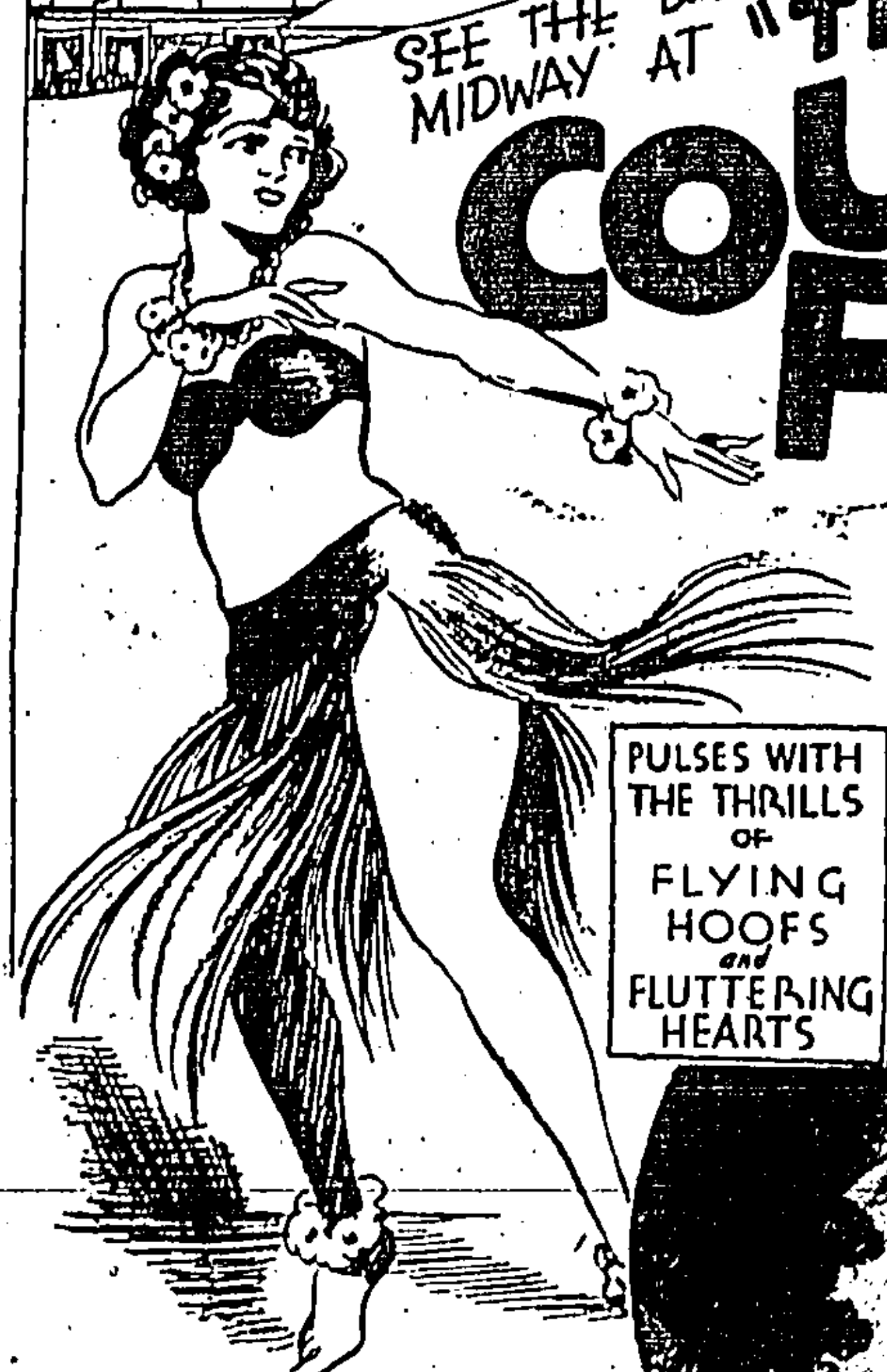
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Major Baseball

Chicago White Sox Trounce Yankees 9-1

NEW YORK, Aug. 25 (UP).—Chicago White Sox trounced New York Yankees 9-1 in the American Baseball League today, while Washington Senators lost to St. Louis Browns in the opener of a double-header, the night cap being called with the score 3-0.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

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Washington	3	12	1
Baltimore	3	12	1
St. Louis	3	12	1
Chicago	3	12	1
Philadelphia	3	12	1
Cleveland	3	12	1
Detroit	3	12	1
Pittsburgh	3	12	1
Indianapolis	3	12	1
St. Paul	3	12	1

Filipino Featherweight Beaten In Japan

TOKYO, Aug. 26 (Domei).—In a bloody slugfest slated for ten rounds last night, Baby Gostello, pride of the Philippines, featherweight, put up a plucky but unsuccessful fight against Soldier Kawazaki, suffering a technical knock-out in the eighth round.

W. C. CHOY "SEEDED" IN AMERICA

NEW YORK, Aug. (UP).—W. C. Choy, Cambridge blue and Chinese Davis Cup player, has been "seeded" fourth among the foreign entries for the National Tennis Championships which commence on Saturday at Forest Hills.

Nazi Consuls To Leave Haiti

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Aug. 25 (UP).—The official news agency today announced that the German Government has withdrawn its exequatur from the Haitian Consuls in Germany.

Continuous Running Of Home Factories

LONDON, Aug. 25 (British Wireless).—A recommendation that British war factories should work seven days a week is made by the Subcommittee appointed by the Select Committee on national expenditure.

BOMBAY, Aug. 25 (Reuters).—Indian press approvingly features Mr. Winston Churchill's broadcast, assuring the world of the ultimate triumph of the defenders of freedom and his warning to Japan.

Champions Routed By U.S.A.

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in the "give all" series against the U.S. Navy.

With the 18-10 score sounding more like a tight basketball triller, the lead see-sawed from one side to another, producing a great exhibition of how baseball should not be played.

The Navy nine pounded hapless Phil Chang, in his first mound appearance of the year, for seven solid blows and crashed across the platter with nine solid runs in two-thirds of the initial stanza before the local masterminds finally sent the veteran to the showers. It certainly was a sweet piece of "dumb-dora" baseball sense on the part of the local brain wave and should be chalked up as a big boner for the "believe it or not" baseball riddles.

In the relief role, silent Wally Ching came through with a steady twirling effort to mark up his second Charity Series win.

Going into the 5th canto on the short end of a 12-10 score, the Colony All-Stars crashed through with a seven run scoring spree on two hits and five bad mistakes to clinch the old ball game right then and there. Navy pitcher Hank Huot was yanked after filling the bases, but P. E. Choy worked Ski Powlowski for a walk to force in the first run in this big merry-go-round inning. Gerry Gosano sent a Texas Leaguer to centre driving in Wally Ching and George Sousa with two more tallies. Choy crossed the pan on an error, and Gerry Gosano romped home when Nip Lum laid down a bunt along the first base line. Hank All's sacrifice brought in the last two runs to give the All-Stars a five run lead.

The U.S. Navy garnered four tallies in the last of the 6th after the Hongkongites had marked up a lone run on Bill Chang's sacrifice which drove in Wally Ching with the All-Stars' last tally of the game.

Down two runs in the last frame, the American Navy men filled the bases after Gronck and Willie Wilson had filed out. Big Mac McKenzie strode up to the platter with the hero-tag in the making, but with an easy pop to shortstop Sousa sent out the well-known "that's all" sign, giving Hongkong their second straight in this classic series.

GREAT Britain's depleted ball tossers took the fast way out of the championship scrap when they virtually handed their first round fray to China 18-3.

Another last minute contract deal was put over on the benches of the withering bleachers, when George White, Johnny Fisher, Sandy Sandberg and Blinnig were signed on for the lone game; no uniforms nor ball cleats were included in the contract.

Chinese pitcher Al Lau merely breezed them over the plate, limiting the Brits to three scattered blows and winning five for his first International Series win.

The Cathaymen went to town in the 1st frame, riding across the pan with three runs on two hits and an error. Warming up with a single marker in the 3rd, China's colour bearers thundered through with a nine run blazing barrage which just about made the British give up the losing fight.

Wellford's gang called it a day in the first of the 6th canto when a slight drizzle poured over the ball yard after four more Chinese tallies crossed the rubber pan.

BAD WEATHER RESTRICTS R.A.F.

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuters).—Operations by British bombers were still restricted by bad weather on Sunday night, states the Air Ministry. Communications and industrial objectives at Dusseldorf were sharply attacked. Three bombers are missing.

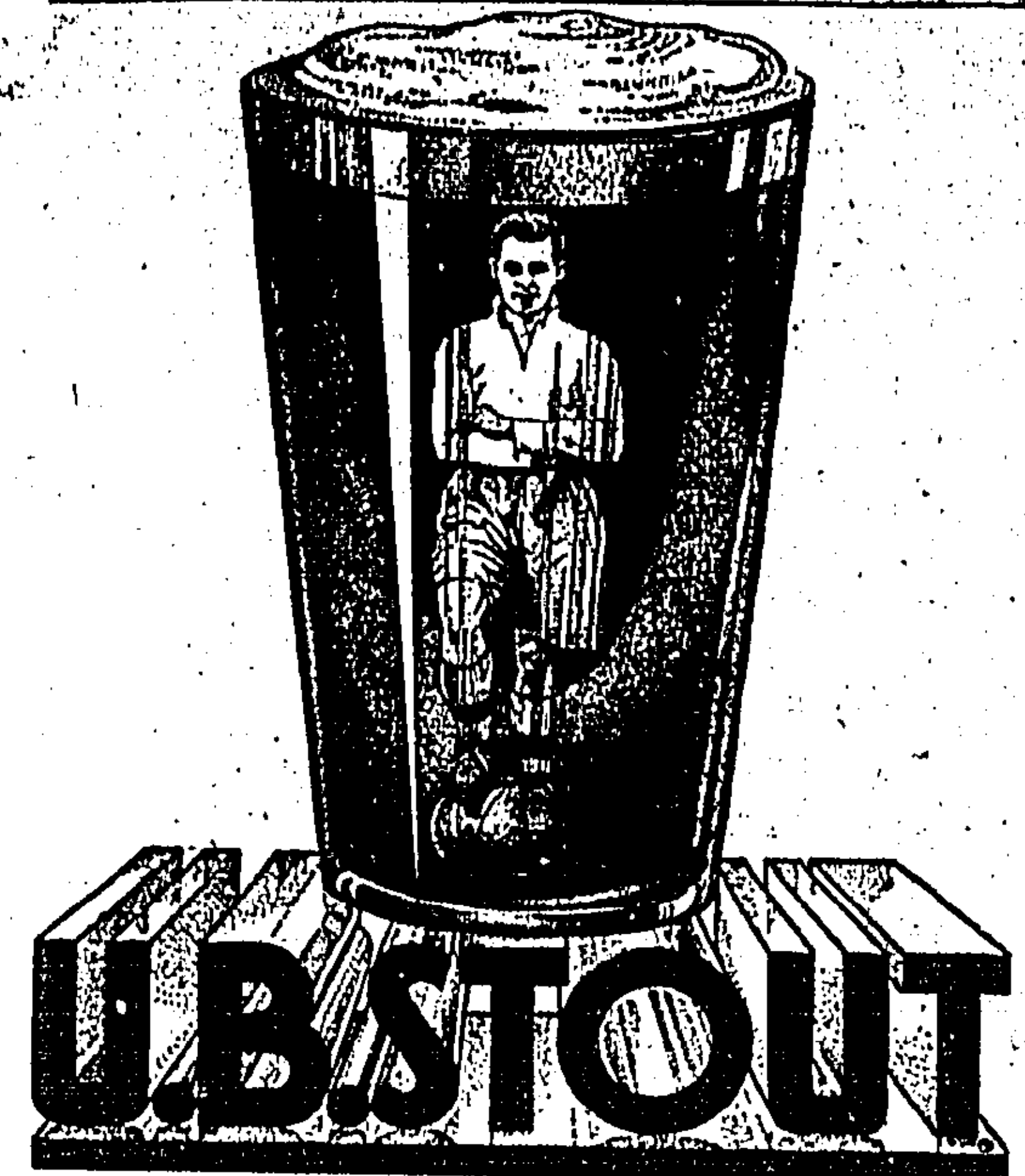
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Russians Evacuate Novgorod

—FROM PAGE ONE

Kletsk on the northern shore of Lake Tuopla Jaervi and are continuing their drive against the Russian Murmansk railroad. Kletsk is only 60 kilometers from the railroad. The newspaper states that the Germans on the central Salta front have still not crossed the old frontier but are now holding posts around Alakott and the Tuken River.

Thrust Toward Dnieper-Petrovsk
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Aug. 25 (UP).—It was officially stated in Moscow that the German armies to-day continued their thrust in the direction of Dnieper-Petrovsk where is situated the gigantic dam which serves the industrial and agricultural centres of the Ukraine, while the German pressure of Leningrad in the directions of Kholm and Novgorod continued unabated.

To-day's communique reported a combat by partisans in the occupied regions of the Leningrad districts. The Germans posted sentinels of local peasants along every kilometre of the bridgehead. The latter joined the Germans shot the first eight peasants and seized and burned two villages.

According to a London report, Radio Berlin to-night announced that Dnieper-Petrovsk is already within the range of the advancing Germans.

Nazi Claims Unconfirmed
LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuters).—There is still no confirmation in London that the Germans have any and did their best to satisfy the British and Soviet Governments.

"It is most regrettable that despite all the efforts of the Iranian Government to preserve peace, the British and Soviet representatives, instead of discussing matters in a peaceful, understanding way, arrived at my house at 4 a.m. to-day with a threatening memorandum."

"According to reports reaching me, it appears that British and Soviet forces had crossed the border even before the representatives arrived at my house. British forces have attacked ships in Iranian ports, and British planes and guns have already bombed and shelled some Iranian towns. The Iranian authorities have taken all necessary measures to meet the situation."

Lacenic Communiques
MILITARY COMMENTARY BY "WARRIOR"

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuters).—Both the Russian and German communiques are exceedingly lacenic and add nothing to our knowledge of the situation on the eastern front.

The Russian communique speaks of severe fighting at Kholm and Dnieper-Petrovsk while the German communique says that operations are proceeding satisfactorily according to plan.

It would seem, therefore, that neither side has any special claim to record and that no further German advance has been scored in the Leningrad sector.

Counter-Offensive
Independent information suggests that Marshal Timoshenko's counter-offensive is gathering momentum east of Kiev and may relieve the German pressure in the bend where the famous industrial centre of Dnieper-Petrovsk is mentioned for the first time.

There is, however, no suggestion that the Germans have anywhere been able to establish themselves on the east bank of the river. The German admission that Russian bridge-heads are being attacked suggests that Marshal Budenny is still in comfortable control of the river and that the Russian garrison in Odessa is proving a nasty thorn in the German flank.

Reinforcements
The most important development, however, is the plan to place the region of the Caucasus, where British and Russian forces are likely to establish a junction very soon. The effect of this open and expeditious route for supplies and, if necessary, reinforcements, should have an appreciable result on the operations in southern Russia. The possibilities of early R.A.S. collaboration must not be overlooked.

Budenny's Army Free
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" (BY "REUTERS'S" SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

MOSCOW, Aug. 25.—German insistence on the fact that the Russians were holding Dnieper bridgeheads was a clear indication that the Russians were merely withdrawing and that the Germans had failed either to encircle Marshal Budenny's army or a large part of it or gain control of any crossings of the lower Dnieper.

There is strong reason to believe that mention of Dnieper-Petrovsk in to-day's communique refers to a successful Russian counter-offensive.

Use of Ukraine
The question arises what good to the Germans are the occupied parts of the Ukraine. They must reckon with the passive resistance of the peasants and further in the long run Ukraine with its almost completely tractorised agriculture will be quite useless unless the Germans are able to provide vast quantities of petrol—which obviously they cannot.

The plight of the peasants under the Nazis is grievous but most of them will no doubt manage to survive for a time with clandestine stocks.

Rain And Mud
An important thing has happened which, if it continues, may have an enormous effect in slowing up German operations on the eastern front. It is the entry into the war of Russia's allies—rain and mud.

It has been raining heavily for the last 24 hours and roads other than the not very numerous main roads have become bogged. The movements of tanks across the country are unlikely for the time being, either on the soft soil of the Ukraine or in the marshy country around Leningrad.

DUCHESS OF GLOUCESTER
LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuters).—The Duchess of Gloucester will not be undertaking any further public engagements during the next few months, it is announced.

TOWNS BOMBED, ALLEGATION

Iran Premier's Statement

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuters).—British forces bombed and shelled several Iranian towns, according to the Iranian Premier, addressing an extraordinary session of the Iranian Parliament to-day, according to the Teheran radio to-night.

The Premier said: "You all know that the beginning of the present war, the Iranian Government, in accordance with the wishes of the Shah, declared the strict neutrality of the country, which policy was applied in every sense of the word and to the best of our ability. We followed a policy of friendship and cordiality with all countries in touch with Iran, especially our neighbours."

"Nevertheless, the British Government in agreement with the Russian presented a memorandum asking Iran to expel the majority of the Germans in the country. The Iranian Government assured those two Governments that it would be watching every move by all foreigners in the country and that no danger could arise from the small number of Germans."

"Most Regrettable"
"With a view to calming Britain and Russia, the Iranian Government took special steps to reduce the number of Germans in the country and did their best to satisfy the British and Soviet Governments."

"It is most regrettable that despite all the efforts of the Iranian Government to preserve peace, the British and Soviet representatives, instead of discussing matters in a peaceful, understanding way, arrived at my house at 4 a.m. to-day with a threatening memorandum."

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Iranian Policy
LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuters).—The Iranian Government declare that it has been their policy to ask all those foreigners to leave the country who have no special employment, and whose presence there is unnecessary, besides those whose positions can be filled by Iranians.

They add that this policy is being carried out with greater care and speed as the result of the British Government's representations.

Furthermore, as entry into the country, residence and movement of foreigners are controlled, there was no cause for anxiety since nothing had occurred to justify it.

America To Play Big Role
—FROM PAGE ONE

British Malaya, thence to India and into the Persian Gulf, across either the Iran or the Caspian Sea to the south-east of Russia.

The fleet could guarantee the route without leaving the Pacific thus blasting Axis hopes of forcing the fleet into the Atlantic so that Japan would be free to pursue her expansionist programme in the southern Pacific. The route would be safely outside the war zones and would also shorten the present route to the Middle East via the Red Sea and Egypt.

Heroism On A Submarine
SACRIFICE FOR SERVICE
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Aug. 25 (Domei).—The Emperor has granted special decoration to Warrant Officer Masao Naruse who exactly one year ago gave his life in order to save the submarine in which he was on a training cruise.

On August 26 of last year the submarine was cruising on the surface in Tokyo Bay during a 720 millimetre typhoon when at 9.20 p.m. it developed a port side list due to the storm. To avoid further danger the Commander decided to submerge and ordered all personnel to their emergency posts. Warrant Officer Naruse immediately taking up his position on the bridge. In the pitch darkness, sea water began pouring over the conning tower, the gallant officer sprang to the hatch and closed it from the outside, resigning himself to the surging waves.

Seven tons of water had poured into the hatchway in six seconds, so that if Warrant Officer Naruse had been two seconds later it would have been impossible for him to have closed the hatch and the submarine would have been flooded.

Trade Delegates From Iceland
ON VISIT TO WASHINGTON
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25 (UP).—A trade delegation arrived here from Iceland to-day and stated that they would negotiate financial and commercial questions.

Such arrangements conform to the agreement under which the United States assumed protection and promised to further Iceland's interests in every possible way.

The delegation expressed confidence in favourable results, not only in solving Iceland's urgent needs but also in finding a lasting basis for improved financial relations.

The White House to-day announced the removal of restrictions under which newspapermen, photographers and radio men have hitherto been prevented from going to Iceland.

British Encounter Resistance In Iran

—FROM PAGE ONE

Rome, Aug. 25 (UP).—The afternoon newspapers published a dispatch from Ankara which says that Soviet divisions are massed on the Soviet-Turkish border, and estimating that thirty Soviet divisions are entering Iran.

Military Objectives
(BY "REUTERS'S" DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, Aug. 25 (Reuters).—British military efforts must be directed toward two main ends: safeguarding the Iranian oil fields and keeping open the line of communications with Soviet Russia in the Caucasus.

Two obvious lines of advance are thus indicated, one being from Mosul and Baghdad towards Urumiah and Tabriz, and the other from Basra to guard the oil fields.

It is possible that troops from Baluchistan may advance across the southern boundaries of Iran to complete the occupation and convince Tehran of the futility of resistance.

The Persian Army is small, badly equipped and unlikely to offer serious resistance. They have not constituted an actual menace in themselves but have been a potential source of trouble and real interference with the Allied war effort owing to the presence of several hundred Nazi agents and fifth columnists. This has been the great danger.

The fact of a common front on Turkey's eastern frontier will be a further source of strength to the Turkish Government who are thus assured of Allied backing on all its Asiatic land frontiers.

Agents A "Pretext"
WASHINGTON, Aug. 25 (Reuters).—After conferring with Under-Secretary of State Mr. Sumner Welles, the Iranian Minister told reporters to-day that there were no German agents in Iran, and Russo-British allegations to the contrary were "only a pretext" for invasion.

No Dynasty Upset Planned By Allies
—FROM PAGE ONE

British public opinion has wholeheartedly welcomed this evidence of Allied toughness.

There is no official confirmation of the statements made at Moscow that they had strongly insisted on action in Iran, even shortening the period of negotiations.

Where Forces Entered
BERLIN, Aug. 25 (Domei).—"D.N.B." reports from Ankara that part of the British forces which invaded Iran comprised the garrison in the district of Khamkin in Iraq and it is now continuing to march into Iran. Khamkin lies on the Baghdad-Teheran road on the eastern border of Iraq and the road from Khamkin to Teheran passing through Hamada Kamadan and Kasvin forms the economic, industrial and military artery of Iran.

The British forces stationed at Lebadas to the north of Khamkin are also reported to have entered Iran.

Three Directions
A German report from Teheran says that the Soviet forces, marched into Iran from three directions including Astara on the Caspian Sea and Nakhjevan on the Caucasian border. Those from Astara are advancing south along the Caspian Sea coast while a separate column is marching on Ardabil to the west. The Soviet force from Nakhjevan are driving along the railway toward Tabriz.

The German news agency also reports from Tabriz that Soviet aircraft on August 25 attacked Tabriz and dropped bombs on the airfield and barracks, causing some casualties.

H.K.-Named Bomber Squadron In View
—FROM PAGE ONE

Government. The Fund has in hand just over £4,000 towards the next instalment, leaving a balance of approximately £24,000 needed to make up the required sum.

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